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VANDERLIP IS SEVERELY GRILLED BY PROBERS

Coolidge Selects Philadelphia Lawyer as Counsel

Government Officials Alleged Lost Heavily, Market Plunge

Says He Based His Speech On Hearsay Only

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—Frank Vanderlip underwent a severe cross examination before the Senate committee investigating the oil scandal.

Vanderlip said he stated in his speech at Ossining about the purchase of the Harding newspaper that he based his knowledge on rumors and not on facts. Vanderlip refused to say where he got the information for saying that the committee is afraid to question Fall further. "I am familiar with Senate committees and their powers, and I didn't believe that committee could be stopped from questioning a witness," Vanderlip said. When asked what information he had that Fall was about to "peach", Vanderlip said, "I heard from a very high quarter, I won't name it, that he had that inclination and was about to use it. If you tell me you had legal reason to take the course you did, I'll say your action was warranted. But I still think you could have passed legislation compelling Fall to testify." Vanderlip said he had received much commendation for the speech he made.

The committee learned after two hours severe grilling that Vanderlip had no information on which to base his statement that the sale of the Marion Star should be investigated.

Teapot Dome Today

Frank A. Vanderlip, New York financier, was scheduled as the first witness before the Senate Teapot Dome committee today, to tell whether information or rumor led him to say that the sale of the Marion star by the late President Harding ought to be investigated. Vanderlip has since admitted in several public statements that he has no information and if he tells the committee that, he is in for a sharp quizzing as to his reasons for making his original statement.

While the committee was questioning Vanderlip, President Coolidge was expected to select another lawyer to succeed Silas H. Strawn, Chicago, whose nomination as "presidential counsel" to prosecute the oil cases was withdrawn late Thursday. Strawn's nomination was withdrawn after the Senate Teapot Dome committee notified the President that Strawn's connection with the Chicago "Standard Oil Banks" made his confirmation impossible.

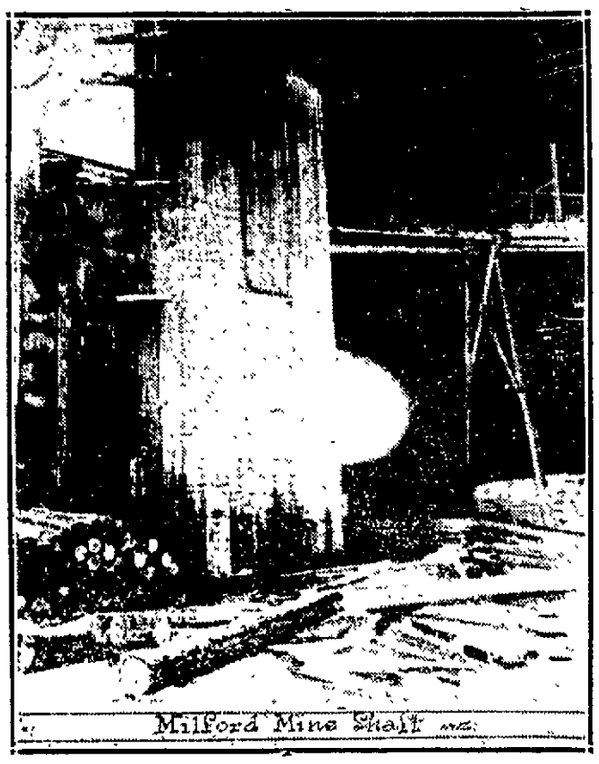
Atlee Pomerene, Ohio, the other lawyer nominated was not withdrawn in spite of objections to him and indications from the White House were that Mr. Coolidge considered the fight on Pomerene merely political and would insist on his confirmation.

The Senate committee was preparing to pursue several lines of inquiry. Testimony of John C. Shaffer, Denver and Chicago newspaper owner, yesterday indicating that Fall began negotiations with Harry F. Sinclair for leasing Teapot Dome soon after Fall took office in 1921, will be followed up, because at that time the naval reserves were not even in Fall's jurisdiction and the committee wants to know whether he had some understanding when he entered the Cabinet that the reserves would be transferred from the Navy to the Interior Department. Such evidence would clinch the evidence of fraud and corruption in making the leases and would make certain their annullment by the courts, committee members believed.

Investigation of the $1,000,000 "slush fund" reported loaned to the Government officials by oil men went ahead quietly as E. B. McLean Washington publishre, sped to Washington to be the first witness concerning the funds.

Senator Wheeler, Montana, author of a resolution for investigation of Attorney General Daugherty, decided today to let his measure lie on the table for a few days so as not to conflict with the Teapot Dome inquiry proper.

41 DIE IN STRANGE MINE DISASTER.



Above is pictured the shafthead of the Milford Mine at Crosby, Minn., where 41 miners were drowned in a strange disaster. The floor of a lake over the mine property caved in through the ceiling of one of the lower levels of the mine, completely inundating the underground workings.

WATCHMAN BODY FOUND AFTER BUILDING BURNS

DALLAS, Texas, Feb. 15.—The body of August Hoenig, aged night watchman, was found in the blazing Hughes auction house, that was damaged $50,000 by the fire. There was a bullet hole through his head. Police believe that he committed suicide. An investigation is being made. The body was found by firemen who extinguished the blaze.

O. D. Hallum, cashier of the First State Bank at Tehuacana spent Wednesday in Waco attending the meeting of the Bankers of the fourth district of Texas which convened there this week.

Youth Surrenders After Kicking Boy To Death Tuesday

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio, Feb. 15.—The two day hunt for the slayer of little Paul Prologo, ended late last night when Joseph C. Kane, 22, surrendered to police and made a full confession as to how he kicked the boy to death in Lincoln Park here Tuesday night.

SPORTS

CAMBRIDGE, Mass.—Although he had never represented Harvard in competition, Bobby Jones, Atlanta golf star, was awarded the Harvard varsity "H" for distinguished service in winning the American open golf championship.

HOT SPRINGS, Ark.—Babe Ruth, baseball's "swat king," got down today to the task of making himself fit his last year's uniform. The Babe arrived yesterday from New York and said he had fifteen pounds to ake off and knew how to do it.

CHICAGO.—Practically all members of the Cubs are here today preparing to leave tomorrow for Catalina Island training camp. Charley Hollocher, shortstop, probably will not accompany the team as President Veech has refused to agree to his back salary demands.

CHICAGO.—Wladek Zbyszko and Renato Gardini will meet in the main bout of a wrestling show here tonight.

STATE BANKS SHOW DEPOSITS INCREASE

AUSTIN, Texas, Feb. 15.—Deposits in State banks December 31 last year, totaled $247,179,316, an increase of $39,705,418, as compared with statement in September. Cash on hands exceeds that of a year ago by $23,500,000.

CONGRESS TODAY

House

Alameda naval base hearing continues.

Boulder dam hearings resumed.

Judiciary Committee hearing on child labor amendment.

Tax bill before House.

Senate

Interior Department appropriation bill.

Teapot Dome inquiry.

OWEN J. ROBERTS NOMINATED BY PRESIDENT IN OIL CASE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—Owen J. Roberts of Philadelphia was nominated by President Coolidge as special counsel in the oil fraud case to succeed Silas H. Strawn. Roberts was recommended by Senator Pepper of Pennsylvania.

Much Regret Is Expressed On Death Of Citizen

Much regret has been expressed because of the death Wednesday of Charles Mann, a plumber of this city, who died as a result of a freak accident at Jimmie's cafe where he was working on a job at the time of sustaining the injuries which later proved fatal. He was held in high esteem by all who knew him.

W. H. Smith of this city, states that Mr. Mann was not in his employe at the time of the accident, but, the Monday before had entered business for himself, since Mr. Smith had discontinued his own plumbing business temporarily. He greatly deplores the death of Mr. Mann, saying that he was an efficient workman and a noble gentleman. The deceased had been in Mexia about 2½ years.

According to a message from the Elks club of Denver he was a member in good standing of that order.

The body is being held at the J. I. Riddle Undertaking department, pending the arrival of relatives who are now enroute to take charge of burial arrangements.

According to messages received from Colorado, Miss Genevieve Mann and sister are now coming from Denver to Mexia, having received the message informing them of his death.

Three Year Old Fights For Life

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Feb. 15.—While 3-year-old Steve Konyati was fighting for his life today against a strange malady that has gripped his body for fifteen days and held him in a state of coma, specialists consulted in an effort to diagnose the case.

Baby Steve's mother, Mrs. Catherine Konyati, watching unceasingly by the bedside of her boy, who was born by a Caesarian operation, declared today she would maintain her vigil until he is improved or beyond help.

BUILDING PROGRAM PROMISING HERE

Work has begun on the new home being built by Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Crow. The handsome structure is to be built on Ross Avenue just off of Commerce and in the same block with several other new homes just built.

According to local lumbermen many families are now planning new homes here. Spring is expected to witness a very active home building campaign.

WIDLEY KNOWN DOCTOR DIES AT ABILENE

ABILENE, Texas, Feb. 15.—Dr. George H. Sandefer, 52, widely known Texas physician, died at his home here Thursday after an illness of several months.

OLIVER HARRIMAN TO WED MODEL.

The above is an artistic study of Miss Harriett Hewitt, former mannequin in a New York hat shop, drawn by Harrison Fisher, the noted artist. The beautiful model will become the bride of Oliver Carley Harriman, son of the millionaire New York banker, as soon as the first Mrs. Harriman's interlocutory divorce decree becomes final. Young Harriman himself is a banker, clubman and noted sportsman.

"Ball Player's Case Reeks With Perury"-Judge

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 15.—The jury returned a verdict in favor of Joe Jackson in his suit for $16,711 back pay from the Chicago White Sox.

Judge Gregory set aside the Jackson verdict because he said his testimony "reeked with perjury."

FIGHTS AND FIGHTERS

NEW YORK.—Paul Berlenbach, the latest boxing sensation, who has scored 23 knockouts in his first 23 bouts, meets Pat Walsh in a 12-round bout tonight in Madison Square Garden.

NEW YORK.—Paul Doyle, New Jersey welterweight, won a 10-round decision from Fred Archer, who claims the European welterweight title.

PATTERSON, N. J.—Ad Stone, Philadelphia light-heavyweight, outpointed Ray Neuman, Jersey City, in a 12-round bout here.

NEWARK, N. J.—Jack Zivich, Pittsburgh lightweight, knocked out Johnny Darcy, Bayonne, in the tenth round.

CHARLOTTE, N. C.—Jack Dempsey, world's heavyweight champion, boxed through four rounds of an exhibition bout last night with Mike O'Dowd.

M'KEESPORT, Pa.—Tommy Ryan won a 10-round decision bout from Terry Martin, New York, last night.

T. W. DAVIDSON TO OPEN HEADQUARTERS IN DALLAS

Lee P. Pierson stated today that State Headquarters for T. W. Davidson for Governor would be opened March the first in the Orinental Hotel at Dallas. Judge Pierson also says that his relations as Campaign Manager for the Lieutenant Gover will not interfere with his local professional duties.

FAMOUS ACTOR DYING TODAY SAYS REPORT

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Feb. 15.—Theodore Roberts, the actor, is sinking rapidly. Death is expected in a few hours, and hope is abandoned.

Former Secretary Fall Texas Bound

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Feb. 15.—Former Secretary of the Interior Albert B. Fall, central figure of the Teapot Dome scandals, spent an hour between trains here last night en route from Washington to El Paso, Texas, where he was called by the serious illness of his wife.

Fall was in a virtual state of collapse and was assisted to and from the trains. He spent his hour here in bed. He was accompanied by a nurse and by his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Jack Fall.

GULF COAST SEVEN AT THE PALACE THEATRE

What promises to be some of the highest class musical entertainment yet heard in Mexia this season will be that of the "Gulf Coast Seven" at the Palace Theatre tonight and tomorrow.

Every member of this orchestra is an artist with his instrument. Henry Sullivan with his big bass horn is sure to make a hit for it can be safely said that Henry knows how to round out those notes in the most melodeous style. Ralph Pitts handles the big saxaphone in good style as a soloist, playing catchy airs that are sure to please the audience.

This company will be at the Palace for two days.

WOMAN KILLED WHEN CAR HIT BY TRAIN

FARMERSVILLE, Texas, Feb. 15.—Mrs. Ray Hess was instantly killed near here Thursday when the automobile she was driving was struck by a Santa Fe passenger tarin.

Wall Street Is Said To Have Aided At Once

By PAUL R. MALLON
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—Officials high in the Government lost heavily in stock market plunges a year or more ago and a $1,000,000 "slush fund" was used to cover their losses, according to private information given today as a tip to the Senate committee investigating the oil reserves scandal.

When the plight of the officials became known to some of their friend in Wall street, $1,000,000 is said to have been raised andn transferred from a New York to a Washington bank.

Relation of the $1,000,000 fund to the oil scandal is expected to be established by disclosures showing that big oil men subscribed the money.

This million was used purely as a loan, according to the story told the committee, and all of it was repaid but $200,000.

A dispute over the $200,000 which still is believed unsettled caused hard feeling between the Wall street men who raised the money and at least one who was involved as a borrower from the fund. Through this hard feeling the Senate committee hopes to ferret out the truth about the transaction.

Edward B. McLean, millionaire Washington publisher, is reported hurrying north from Palm Beach to tell the committee whether he knows anything about the fund.

A subpoena was issued for McLean and he wired his newspaper in Washington he was leaving immediately.

Some prominent New York financiers, supposed to be "in the know" on everything in the street, are to be called to see if they can advance any information.

Senator Walsh, leading investigator, announced Otto H. Kahn and Benjamin F. Yoakum, former railroad president, would be subpoenaed.

Calling of Mcean again created a new sensation. It was his testimony regarding a $100,000 "loan" to Albert B. Fall, which really opened up the present startling scope of the inquiry. This testimony was given at Palm Beach some weeks ago when McLean told Senator Walsh that Fall borrowed $100,000 in checks to buy a ranch but three days later returned the checks uncashed and said he had arranged to get the money elsewhere.

Fall previously had said he got the purchase price of the ranch from McLean. McLean's story started a whole train of disclosures, including E. L. Doheny's story of a $100,000 loan to Fall and J. W. Zevely's story of a $25,000 Sinclair loan and gave the committee many new leads bearing on the leasing of the naval reserves.

TESTIMONY ENDS IN SHAW MURDER CASE

GAINESVILLE, Texas, Feb. 15.—The jury in the case of Harry Shaw, charged with the murder of his uncle, Jack Grundy, was to be charged by District Judge Pearman here today.

Testimony was concluded Thursday with Shaw's cross-examination. Shaw said that Grundy had spoken abusively of Mrs. Shaw and that it "made him so mad he had no sense."

NEW COMPANY AT THE OPERA HOUSE

(Press Notice)

A new company with an "All-Girl Show" will be seen at the Opera House tonight.

Manager Bevering states that this is the first time this show has made it's appearance in this city and it promises to be classy and snappy.

TEST ON HACKNEY DOWN AROUND 2875 FEET TO RAT HOLE AHEAD BEFORE THE CASING IS TO BE SET

The Hackney test, three and a half miles northeast of the Fishpond district and about two miles from Worthham, is still holding the center of interest in local oil circles.

It is thought that within the next few days, it should be known whether it is to be a producer or a dry hole.

Plans are understood to have been perfected to rat hole ahead before the casing is set. It is now down to a depth around 2875 feet.

It is being drilled by Lytel and Carter, Iowa capitalists.

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OSTRACIZING THE POCKET FLASK

Again the counties in this section of Texas, where are located the oil fields, are in the spotlight because of the many arrests made in connection with the illicit manufacture of liquor and because of violations of the Volstead act.

Although these raids have been from twenty five to thirty miles from Mexia, in all instances, Mexia, like Corsicana, will come in for an undue amount of publicity of the most unfavorable character.

As event follows event, it becomes very apparent that Mexia during the oil boom period never witnessed as much of law violation as has accompanied the development of the Powell area. This is not said with a boast, but with a keen sympathy for the areas infested by the lawless liquor element. It all shows that public sentiment, not only here, but elsewhere, must be aroused and put the pocket flask out of business just like it once put the open saloon out of the running.

The fact is that districts other than those where illegal stills are operated must support them and that they could never be run with profit, if buyers were not found elsewhere. The "corn whiskey" manufactured in the Southeastern part of Limestone County was probably dispensed all over Texas and it behooves the citizenship all over Texas to create such a sentiment and such hard times for the bootleggers that they will be forced out of business.

The little pocket flask is a giant public enemy. It must be ostracised from decent society.

The time is here when men and women who made prohibition possible must take a stand on the question. They must form a militant front, else admit they are powerless to protect themselves, their homes and their children from the lawless element of the country.

A PRACTICAL PROGRAM FOR 1924

Mexia's needs are numerous. Some of them are major while others are minor. Some of them create imperative demands upon the public, if Mexia is to become a bigger and better city. While achieving big things, the little ones should not be neglected.

The News offers the following list of needs that should be given attention in 1924 and carried to a successful conclusion:

1. **The water situation completely solved.** Mexia's water situation is not fully understood by many citizens. The conditions are by no means bad. In fact they are very promising. With an adequate supply of water available and of a pure quality, the proposition is largely one of bringing it to town and having at all times a reserve close at hand to take care of the city for a reasonable period in case of accident, breaking of the main leading to the corporate limits, or in case of a big fire. The News suggests a committee of citizens to go over the situation immediately, appointed by the city officials to make recommendations that will at all times assure Mexia an abundnace of pure water and prevent a recurrence of a water scarcity experienced last summer, to lead ultimately also to a reduction in the price to the consumer.

2. **More light for Mexia streets,** with particular attention to dark spots in the residential areas, alleys, in front of all local churches and schools, and a White Way for the business district. These are mentioned in the order of their importance.

3. **A Memorial Building, including a City Auditorium,** which may be used as a community center, and also so arranged as to enable Mexia to become a convention center in this part of Texas.

4. **The Hughes City Park beautified and equipped** so that it may prove a real playground for the children and a place of recreation and rest for all, with attention also given to a tourist camp for parties traveling through in autos on cross country trips.

5. **A ceaseless campaign for public health,** with constant attention by citizens to their premises in cooperation with the city sanitary department; no open sewers and cess pools of filth and disease; and all possible breeding spots for mosquitoes oiled frequently, and the paved streets kept clean all the time.

6. **Realizing agriculture is the permanent basis for general prosperity in this section, The News urges a more zealous endeavor to cooperate with the farmers of this territory in land conservation; the development of fertilizing plants and the offering of premiums on best farm crops for 1924,—along the lines recently suggested by J. W. Stubenrauch.**

7. **A larger tin bucket brigade for Mexia**—the new cotton mills to be the initial step forward in making this an industrial center of great moment.

8. **Always back up campaigns of local churches and schools** in their ambitious plans to meet the spiritual and educational and social needs of the community.

9. **The paving program completed,** including the paving of the alleys and the improvement of all unpaved streets.

10. **Constant encouragement should be given to home seekers and home builders.**

11. **A new city charter** to suit conditions, properly presented and fully discussed and understood by the citizens prior to the day they are called to the polls to vote on it.

12. **Lower frie insurance key rate,** and lower rates for all public utilities as rapidly as consistent with public weal.

ONE OUT OF EIGHT NEW BUILDINGS LOST BY FIRE

By S. W. STRAUS,
President American Society for Thrift.

FEW people in this country realize perhaps that we destroy by fire one out of every eight new buildings we erect, and that the same destructive element causes a loss of forty lives a day.

S. W. STRAUS

These statements, startling in the extreme, are based on the most recent estimates of fire losses compiled by the National Board of Fire Underwriters and authentic building statistics. The reports for 1922 now being compiled and to be completed within a few weeks thus far reveal total fire losses of more than $521,000,000. When completed they will show an even larger total. The estimates do not include fires on all farms. In many rural districts Secretary of Agriculture Wallace recently estimated losses run to at least $50,000,000 annually.

Inasmuch as new building operations in this country in 1922 were $1,000,000,000, it will be seen that on a conservative basis our fire losses amount to not less than 12½ per cent of our new building construction.

Our per capita losses in 1918 were $3.36. In 1922 they had increased to $4.75. During the decade 1912-1922 our total losses by fire increased approximately 100 per cent, and during the previous decade 1902-1912 the total increase in fire losses was a little less than 30 per cent.

Our annual loss of life from fire is in excess of 15,000 and is continually growing.

Students of fire conditions are united in saying that most fires are the result of sheer carelessness. The prevention of fires is an important phase of thrift, and all banks, schools and other agencies which are endeavoring to promote thrift in this country should give attention to education in fire prevention.

So great are our fire losses and so rapidly are they increasing that they are becoming an outstanding factor in our economic situation and are adding to the cost of living.

Chandler Well Shows Signs Of Oil, Say Reports

CHANDLER, Texas, Feb. 15.—Keen excitement is being displayed in this little East Texas city over the showings of oil in the Grewe test which was sunk near this town several months ago. Both local citizens and State prospectors are interested deeply and are turning their eyes to the shallow fields of Eastern Texas.

Many people from various portions of East Texas have become interested in the test and have made trips to the well, and declare that certain signs of oil occur in the slush pit. Artesian water now runs from the well and this flow is accompanied continually by a considerable amount of oil. The well is down to a depth of 2600 feet and has been closed down by the operators for some time, the base of the Austin chalk having been reached.

There are unmistakable showings of oil in the Hodge well also, which is located near the Grewe well. One prominent State driller who visited the scene today, declared that there were unquestionable signs of oil, and that he believed that oil of high gravity test would be found in paying quantities when the drill goes deeper.

There was considerable excitement in various portions of East Texas, and in a number of cities nearby when the report was given out that a strike had been made. Hundreds of cars, loaded with visitors, from Tyler, Athens, Canton, Palestine, Jacksonville, Alto, Rusk and Troup visited the scene today, as they have been for the past three days.

Dr. Q. O. Gaither, who made the location for the test, also the geologist who located the Burke well in Powell field, is of the opinion that the Hodge well will be a good producer. Oil of good gravity is being dipped from the slush pit and carried away in bottles and buckets by visitors.

This series of tests is located northwest of the famous Nacogdoches county shallow field, which produces the highest gravity test oil produced. Other tests are being made in various directions from both fields, principally near the following East Texas cities: Alto, Crockett, Augusta, Jacksonville, and Ponta.

All tests are expected to be rushed during the coming summer months and the efforts put forth by various development companies will likely be rewarded during 1924. Geologists who have gone over Cherokee county state that they are of the opinion that a "mammoth pool" is located somewhere in the bounds of the county others contend that it will be found in Rusk county, still others in Henderson county. Keen excitement and rapid developments progress as the race for finding this shallow pool continues. The Alto territory presents splendid prospects for gas, as continual escapement of natural gas is recorded on the farm of J. P. Grimes near that city.

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How to Get the Most From Your "B" Battery

By G. C. Furness
Radio Battery Engineer

How Tubes Draw "B" Battery Current

ACTUAL figures showing the plate current of the different receiving tubes when used as audio frequency amplifiers at 90 volts of "B" battery are given in the accompanying table. This compilation is the result of a great number of tests made on tubes under conditions of actual use. Plate current is shown in milli-amperes, a milli-ampere being one-thousandth of an ampere.

Current of Receiving Tubes

Tube	"B" Volts	"C" Volts	Plate Current Milli-Amperes
WD-11 and WD-12	90	0	4.5
	90	—4½	2.5
UV-199 and C-299	90	0	4.0
	90	4½	2.25
UV-201 and C-301	90	0	3.9
	90	—4½	2.1
UV-201-A and C-301-A	90	0	6.0
	90	—4½	2.0
Western Electric 216-A	This tube is licensed for use only in the Western Electric power amplifier, which contains a 9-volt "C" battery. Its plate current is about 7.5 milli-amperes at 125 volts of "B" battery and 9-volt grid bias.		

It will be seen that the use of a "C" battery makes striking reductions in "B" battery current. With the 201-A tube, a 4½-volt "C" battery cuts the plate current to just one-third. By adding tubes to a set you multiply this result many times.

To take a fairly common instance, which places an extremely heavy drain on the "B" battery, consider a six-tube receiver, using three stages of radio frequency amplification, detector, and two stages of audio frequency. The tubes, UV-201-A throughout. Plate voltage of 90 on the amplifiers and 45 volts on the detector. No "C" battery. Zero grid potential on all the amplifiers.

Each of the five amplifier tubes draws 6 milli-amperes from the "B" battery, and the detector takes 2 milli-amperes, so that the six tubes drain 32 milli-amperes from the "B" battery.

To Reduce Plate Current

In a set such as this there are two ways of reducing the excessive plate current without sacrificing volume, distance or quality. It will usually be found that 45 volts on the radio frequency amplifier tubes will be just as effective as 90, while the current will be cut to one-quarter of its former value in these tubes. On the audio frequency amplifier tubes the voltage should not be changed, but the use of a 4½-volt "C" battery will cut the "B" battery current to one-third of its former value. The "B" battery will then last about three times as long.

Sometimes the user of such a multi-tube set has recently changed from a receiver using a detector tube alone, and wonders why his "B" batteries do not last as long as they used to. The reason is, of course, that he is giving them much more work to do.

Another article on "B" battery operation will appear next week.

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More Locations Made at Richland

The Richland area is being given a good play, as the week ends. Many companies having made locations, started derricks and planned to drill near the Brown well which is yet flowing around 250 barrels daily. Among the companies joining in the activity are the Godley Oil Company and Max Gutman and others.

Westminster Team To Play Corsicana

The Westminster Wildcat basketball team left Mexia on the afternoon train for Corsicana where they will play the Corsicana professionals at the Y. M. C. A. there. The team is in good condition and Coach Willis is confident of defeating these old rivals of the Collegians tonight in the two games which are to be played.

HOME DRESSMAKING

By JEANNE ROLAND
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What Fashion Decrees for Little Folks

Observe the Clever Use of Ribbon

If there is anything that makes a little girl happier than all of the other little girls she knows, it is a dress trimmed with ribbon bows. Here the laws of simplicity are strictly followed, yet a little maid's heart is immensely pleased as well.

The prestige of printed crepe for frocks for big women and little ones is one of the undisputed facts of the fashion season. Here it is employed most effectively to make a straight-line dress for a small girl. There is a box plait at the front of the dress—which has the sleeves cut in one—and the sides are held in with grosgrain ribbon whose ends are tied in generous bows. This arrangement gives to the little dress two important style notes—the flat front and the fullness which Paris gradually is introducing at the sides of all of her latest models.

At the neck the dress is cut down slightly, bound with plain silk and caught together with another ribbon bow. The diagrams show how the hem is turned at the lower edge of the dress. Fig. I illustrates the first turning, a gauge being used to see that the width is kept even. This gauge can be made from a piece of stiff paper or a bit of cardboard. Notch the gauge to indicate the width of the hem and every few inches, measure the hem to see that it is not wider or narrower than the gauge. About ⅜ of an inch from the edge of the hem run a basting thread, and this may be used as a guide when turning under the edge for hemming.

In the second diagram, the hem is

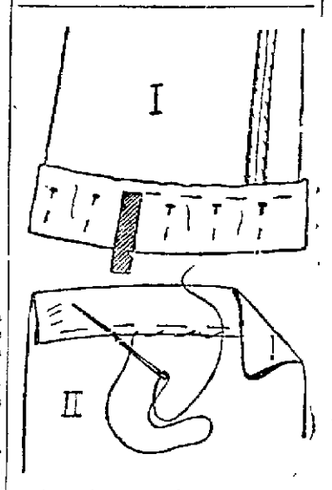

Fig. I—Marking width of hem.
Fig. II—Blind hemming.

turned under and basted and ready for the hemming, which is done with invisible stitches. Gather up only two or three threads at a time, then pass the point of the needle through the edge of the hem. It is well to take a back stitch through the hem only, every few inches or so apart, to make the hem more secure. Have the silk used for the hemming as near the color of the material as possible. This helps to reduce the visibility of the stitches.

$50,000 JEWELRY HAUL MADE BY BANDITS

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Feb. 15.—Three bandits forced Irvin Lebergen, salesman for the Phillips Present Jewelry Company, Rochester, N. Y., to lie face downward while they rifled his clothes of between $50,000 and $60,000 in diamonds near here last night, Lebergen told police.

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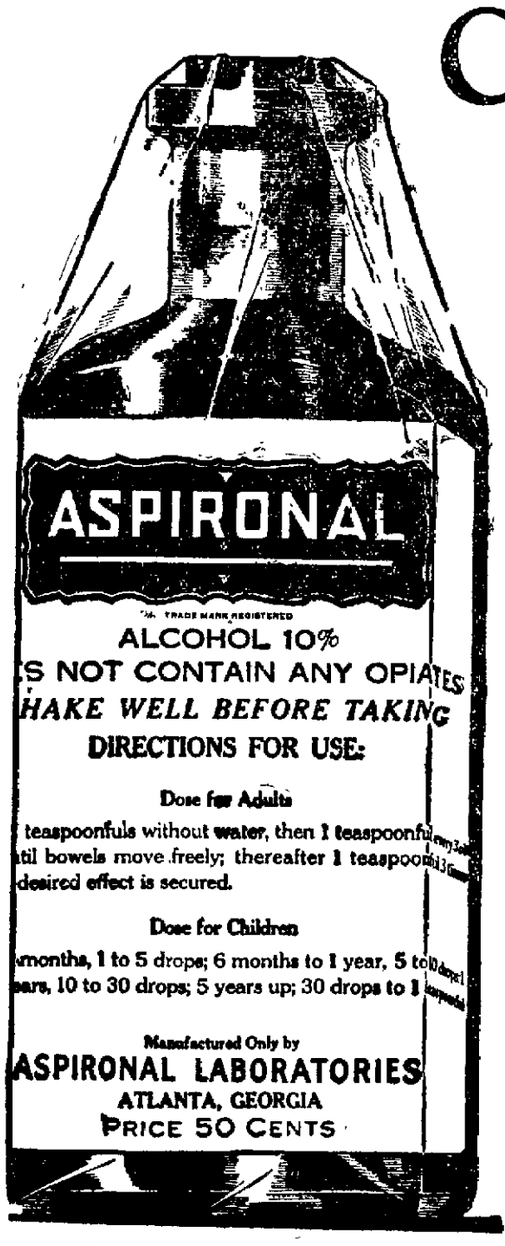
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The New Coat for Spring

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Swagger, indeed, is the design of the new coats for Spring. The materials are the large plaids and stripes which never fail to offer some new and attractive arrangement.

There is nothing like a good-looking coat of soft, warm material for wear when the fur garments are doffed in the Spring. This model has straight lines and can be easily reproduced. It calls for 2½ yards of material 54 inches wide and one has only to go to the shops and ask for the new coatings to understand how difficult it is to recommend any particular fabric or design.

If the coat is long—and it should be—four yards of silk or satin, 36 inches long will be required for the lining. To make the lining, following the exact method for the cutting, fitting, stitching, clipping and pressing used for the development of the coat itself, except that the center front of the lining is cut only to about one or two inches beyond the facing and an extra inch allowed for turning in. The seams of the lining are stitched to the plain seams. Be sure to lay a plait in the shoulder of the lining and another in the center of the back, to give extra ease to the wear of the garment.

Baste the lining to the shoulder, but leave the shoulder seam of the lining open. Baste the neck and armhole of the lining and the coat smoothly together. Catch-stitch the underarm seams of the lining to the

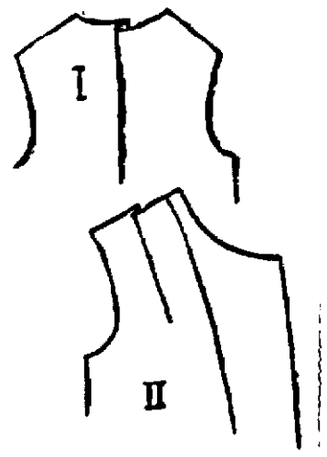

Fig. I.—Plait in center back of lining.
Fig. II.—Plait in shoulder of lining.

underarm seams of the coat. Turn under the front edges of the lining and baste over the front facings, then baste the lining about the neck so that it covers the seam of the collar. Turn under the back of the shoulder seam and bring it over the front, baste and stitch.

Monkey Wrench Too Much For Rattler

CISCO, Texas, Feb. 15.—A battle in a garage here between spectators and a large rattlesnake came near ending in complete victory for the reptile.

After a raid on a snake den several of the largest serpents were brought to town and placed on exhibition in the garage. A small boy took one of the snakes from the box and placed it on the floor to show how harmless it was when chilled.

At the same time the sun came out and when the warm rays struck the snake it immediately became active. It struck at the lad and missed. A lively battle ensued. All rounds went to the rattler until a mechanic made a lucky throw with a monkey wrench and the snake took the count.

Internal Collector Gives Some Advice

Since Congress has under consideration the revision of the present income tax law, there has been a perceptible lull in the filing of returns, hoping to get some relief under the new bill.

It is impossible to state, at this time, what the new bill will contain or what time the same will be effective. I would suggest that all taxpayers file their returns at the earliest possible date and avoid congestions during the last few days prior to March 15th, the last date for filing.

No extensions will be granted concerning the filing of returns unless it can be shown by the taxpayer that absence or sickness is the cause.

If the law is retroactive, Collectors' Offices will make all adjustments necessary in the accounts and will relieve taxpayers from filing amended returns and claims.

JAMES W. BASS,
Collector.

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Russian Rotary Rig Being Sent To Big Lake Test

BIG LAKE, Texas, Feb. 15.—An extra heavy type Russian rotary rig will be used by the Big Lake Oil Company in drilling one of their locations in the proven area. The rig, according J. D. Wade of the Wade Drilling company who will do the work, is now enroute from Corsicana and should be ready to spud in within the next two weeks.

Made of the heaviest material and equipped with all the latest labor saving devices, using 6 inch drill pipe, two large boilers and a 110 foot derrick the work of the rotary will be watched with interest as many believe the formations are too hard for this type of well manchinery although a lighter type rotary was used in the Pioneer field.

Should it be successful, a number of other machines will in all probability be moved to this field as the rotary is considerably faster and eliminates the use of much casing. It is the intention of the company to drill to the pay and complete the completion of the well with standard tools.

The government will, it is believed, watch the drilling of this well with interest as the rotary can core the large potash deposits that have been encountered in all wells drilled in this territory. Many believe these potash beds which apparently underlay a vast amount of this country, will some day be as valuable as the oil.

It is reported that the Mid-Kansas will today spud in their No. 1 well south of the town of Ranken. This company has contracted to drill four wells in the Big Lake area.

China has abolished the old law under which a man could divorce his wife for talkativeness.

Many of Robert Louis Stevenson's little verses for children were written when he was confined to bed by illness.

In a recent murder trial in Montreal the jury was sworn in, the case presented, and a verdict of not guilty returned, all within a period of ten minutes.

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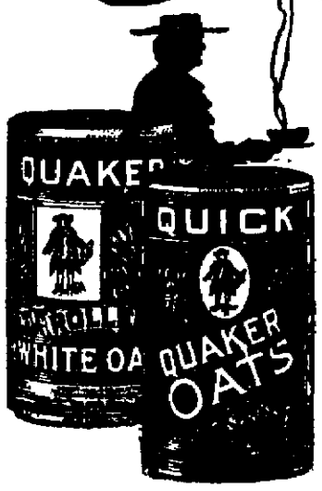

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Mayor Discusses Civic Questions

Mayor Ernest Watson today issued the following statement to the votters of this municipality:

It becames my duty as your mayor and in keeping with my promises to you that if elected, to reduce expenses where possible if not inconsistent with good business judgment

Therefore I am vetoing an ordanance this day passed by your commissioners raising the salary of City Marshal from $150 per month to $200.

To do less I would feel unworthy to fill the office you have entrusted to me.

Immediately following the passage of this ordinance by your commissioners last Saturday night, I was presented with the resignation of Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Dill to take effect instanter, thereby leaving your city unprotected by city officers Saturday night much to my regret.

There was nothing left for me to do as I was advised by the commissioners that it was not in my power to appoint a man.

Yet the ordinances provides that the mayor shall see that all laws are enforced and before any peace officer of the city has a right to carry arms he must receive a commission signed by the mayor and countersigned by the secretary.

Your city is suffering for the want of co-operation between your mayor and commissioners.

Your mayor has never received any support on any suggestion relating to economy in government. I have reached the end of the rope. There is nothing left for me to do.

So I am making this proposition to the commissioners that they write out their resignation to match mine, same to take effect as soon as our successors can be elected or if they prefer to make the race again, select a man to run with them for mayor and I will let the people select two men who are in harmony with my views of economy in government and lower taxes.

Thereby giving the people a chance to express their views on our policies. I have tried to give you the very best service of which I am capable, at no time have I been swayed by partisanship to influence me in any appointment.

I have tried to steer clear of any entanglements in order that the city might get the best possible service for their money. I have never lost sight of the fact that this government belongs to the people, not a few but all.

I had hoped that my services might prove of some worth to the people and in later years I could justly point with pride to improvements I helped to make.

I do not wish to impugn the motives of my co-laborers, they can be just as honest as I am, yet the result is the same. So long as we stand divided this city will not receive the benefits you have a right to expect.

In this connection I am taking this opportunity to publicly express my appreciation for the splendid service rendered your city by the retiring officers.

Mr. Dill was doing night service which prevented me from seeing as much of him as I did of Mr. Kennedy who was the day man. My investigation of their records were thorough and that no charges could be sustained against either that would reflect or bring reproach upon your city.

I may be old fashioned in my ideas and perhaps have not kept abreast of the times, but I have it instilled in me to reward those who have been faithful in service and deserve a promotion on merit

Therefore I gave my endorsement to Mr. Kennedy who is a gentleman, modest and reserved yet fearless in the discharge of his duties. His application was before me at $150 per month.

Now in order that there shall not be any misunderstanding relative to Mr. Mace and myself I desire to state that I am his friend and he is mine He is a gentleman of the highest type and his reputation as a peace officer extends far and wide.

That does not enter into this controversy, the question is shall we raise the salary from $150 to $200 per month.

I am representing the people with the promise that I would see after their business with the same degree of care that I would give to my own and the safety of the public and the volume of business does not justify the added expense.

E. WATSON.

MORE CLOTHES PEP FOR DAD AND GRANDPA

By "THE STROLLER"

(Written for the United Press)

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—(United Press.)—So far as "old men's clothes" are concerned, there doesn't seem to be "such animal" any more. The familiar uniform of the middle aged and aged man—plain, severe and generally black or blue serge—has been displaced by the heterogeneous array which the more youthful men are adopting. Of course, the sensible men are not runnnig to such extremes as are their youthful progeny, but all the same, there is a distinct swing toward a little more "pep" in dressing up dad and grandad.

And while the oldsters have been assimilating a few points from the youngsters, the younger element has been adapting some of the comfortable features that formerly were found almost exclusively in garments made for elderly men. The college type of clothes you see worn has stolen the looseness, the easy fit, the widely spaced buttons, the wide, straight hanging trousers, directly from the clothes worn by men whose college days have vanished into the mist of the years. Of course, the styles are vastly different, but the youth of today realzies that in wearing a suit that is not a straight jacket, a sense of calm well-being is induced.

Of course, professional men—lawyers, doctors, barristors, and the like—are adhering more or less to their professional severity in the choice of their dress. But the business man is using care in the selection of his suit and overcoat. He is, without any sense of being floppish, choosing those garments which set off his "good points." It has taken a long time to bring the male contingent to the realization that clothes are something more than protection from the weather, but the man who would be a success in almost every line of endeavor must realize that there is perhaps a grain of truth in the old saw that "clothes make the man."

Chief Declares War On Yeggs

FORT WORTH, Texas, Feb. 15.—"Shoot first and then investigate."

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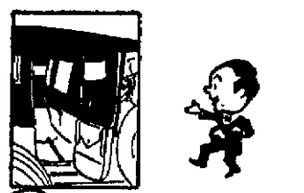

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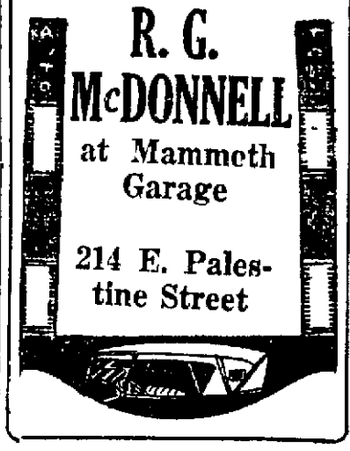

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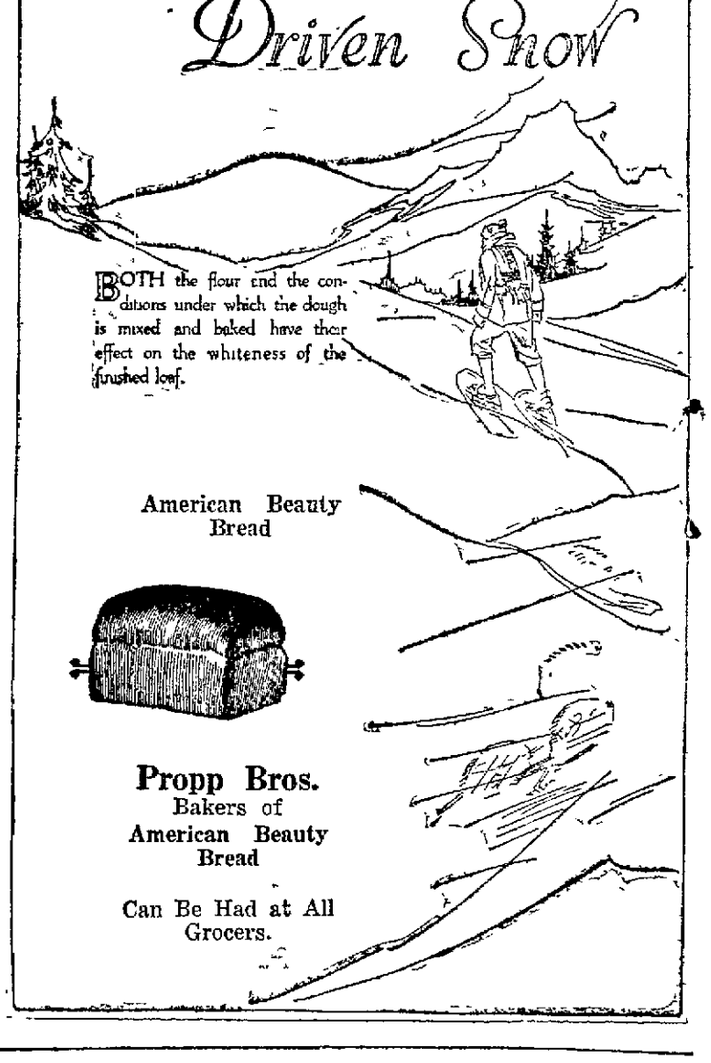

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Hardy Eubanks Reports Important Meeting of Bankers Held at Waco

Hardy Eubanks, Vice President of the Farmers State Bank of this city, attended the meeting of the Fourth District Bankers held Wednesday in Waco. He was accompanied by Mrs. Eubanks and also by Lawrence Hearne.

Mr. Eubanks states that they enjoyed the session and the festivities and considered the work of the meeting of far reaching consequence. Around 200 bankers attended.

Pat E. Hooks of Itasca, President of the First National Bank of that city, president of the organization was unanimously re-elected to that postion.

L. J. Davis, vice president of the Citizens' State bank of Martin, was elected to the office of secretary.

Just before the meeting closed, the bankers went on record as opposing the chartering of further banks in the state unless to the interest of the community in which it would be located. The resolution was as follows:

"Realizing that the present large increase in banking deposits has caused a considerable number of applications to be made to the comptroller of the currency of the United States, and to the commissioner of banking at Austin, in localities where there already exist ample banking facilities;

"And, whereas, the average deposits and net earnings on invested capital in said localities are not excessive and if taken into consideration would not justify the granting of further charters for bank institutions, and to increase banking competition would have a tendency to cause inflation of credits, unsound banking, and eventually bring about further bank failures; therefore, be it

"Resolved, That we respectfully urge and recommend to the comptroller of the currency of the United States, and to the commissioner of banking at Austin, Texas, in the interests of sound and safe banking that no further charters be granted because of temporary conditions or inflation of deposits, and that charters be granted only when, in their wise judgement, the needs of the community can be best served by additional banking facilities, and that in arriving at their decisions they take in consideration the average net earnings to the stockholders over a period of five or ten years and the average deposits in said institutions for the same period of time."

At the close of the meeting, the bankers adjourned to partake of a luncheon in the ball room of the hotel.

Moran Lakes Brains to Whip Benny

By HENRY L. FARRELL
(United Press Sports Editor)

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—When it was taken into consideration how many times Charley White had been stopped and when the caliber of the fighters who did it were recalled, it was not unnatural that Pal Moran, the New Orleans lightweight, should have been rated as the fighter next to Benny Leonard who he knocked out the veteran Chicago lightweight.

Perhaps it is still a fact that Moran is the outstanding contender for the crown of Benny Leonard, but if he is the best man in the class next to the champion, Leonard is in no more immediate danger of being ejected from his throne room than Jack Dempsey is.

Strong as he is at 135 pounds, cool as he is under fire and punching as he can with his right hand, Moran showed in his recent fight with Johnny Dundee that he has yet to learn how to beat a clever fighter with a brain.

Moran was outwitted by Dundee. Against the feeble punches that Dundee is known to be, Moran, if he had enough mental agility, should have torn into Dundee with a willingness to take a tantalizing left hand for the chance to counter with his right hand.

Moran didn't do that, however. His mental sluggishness permitted Dundee to fight just the kind of a fight that Dundee wanted to fight. It's hard to beat a brainy, experienced fighter who is allowed to fight his own kind of a battle.

If Moran fought his real fight against Dundee, if he was not sick, as he seemed to be, he has no chance to beat Benny Leonard. For several years at least Leonard is not to be beaten by an opponent who permits the champion to fight his own way. To make Leonard fight any other way is something for a very brainy fighter to accomplish and Moran does not seem to qualify as a brainy fighter.

Granting that Moran did make a very creditable showing against the champion a year or more ago and with a willingness to admit that Moran may have improved more in the interim than Leonard has, yet it would not be reasonable to contend that Moran has any advantage over Leonard by reason of their first meeting. On the other hand, it might be argued with a lot of sound logic behind the argument that Leonard was the one who would come out of the fight with the advantage that he might have and must have learned a lot more about Moran in that fight than Moran learned about Leonard.

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Miss Elsa Suess

Miss Elsa Suess, principal of the Plaistow School, at Plaistow, N. H., warned the pupils of her school that the next time she caught any of them fighting she would take them into her office and make them fight it out fairly. When she found Robert Kelley, 12, and Wilfred Le Febre, 11, in a fight she took them into her private office and staged a 15-round bout, which she personally refereed. Now the town is up in arms and demanding an investigation. Wilfred is said to have licked his Irish opponent.

A dispute in a separation suit over whether a man should pay his wife 35 or 40 shillings a week was settled in an English court by the lawyers tossing a coin. The woman's lawyer called "heads" and won.

Frances E. Willard, American temperance woman, wrote books and founded the Temperance Publishing Association.

Man Bitten By Mad Horse Sent To Pasteur Institute At Austin For Treatment

James Royall, a man of about 50 years of age, living on the J. W. Hughes lease in the Fishpond district, was bitten Wednesday morning by a mad horse. The horse was one which Mr. Royall's children rode every morning to school. One of the children went out to catch the animal about eight o'clock and discovered that he was bloody and bruised about the knees where he had evidently bitten himself.

He reported the fact to his father who went immediately to investigate. While Mr. Royall was standing looking at the injuries, the horse became seized with a paroxysm, biting Mr. Royall severely upon the right arm. An oil man who was near at the time immediately killed the horse and Mr. Royall came to town Thursday and made arrangements with commissioners court at Groesbeck through the Justice of the Peace court here to get an appropriation in order to go to Austin for treatment. The commissioners at once made the appropriation and Mr. Royall left for Austin Thursday afternoon.

The horse is said to have been bitten some time ago by a mad dog which ran at large through the community biting several other dogs also. All of the animals and the dog which caused the trouble have since died.

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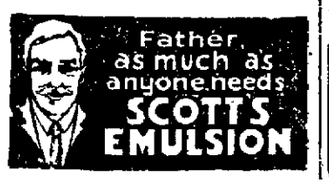

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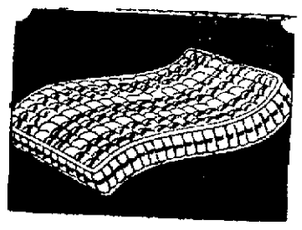

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Daily Crude Production Estimated By Institute

The American Petroleum Institute estimates that the daily average gross crude oil production in the United States for the week ended February 2 was 1,917,600 barrels, as compared with 1,894,900 barrels for the preceding week, an increase of 22,700 barrels. The daily average production east of the Rocky Mountains was 1,232,950 barrels, as compared with 1,203,150 barrels, an increase of 29,800 barrels. California production was 684,650 barrels, as compared with 691,750 barrels, a decrease of 7,100 barrels. The following are estimates of daily average gross production for the week ended February 2, January 26, 1924, and February 3, 1923:

DAIL AVERAGE PRODUCTION
(Figures in barrels)

	Feb. 2, '24	Jan. 26, '24	Dif.	Feb. 3, '23
Oklahoma	408,450	382,650	25,800	403,600
Kansas	71,500	71,450	50	81,250
North Texas	63,850	62,600	1,250	57,550
Central Texas	185,000	182,250	2,750	125,650
North Louisiana	54,000	53,200	800	74,300
Arkansas	113,200	113,650	450	110,950
Gulf Coast	86,600	87,250	650	113,750
Eastern	105,000	107,000	2,000	100,000
Wyoming and Montana	145,350	143,100	2,250	121,150
California	684,650	691,750	7,100	550,000
Total	1,917,600	1,894,900	22,700	1,747,200

The estimated daily average gross production of the Mid-Continent field, including Oklahoma, Kansas, North Texas, Central Texas, North Louisiana and Arkansas, for the week ended February 2 was 896,000 barrels as compared with 866,800 barrels for the preceding week, an increase of 30,200 barrels. The Mid-Continent production, excluding Smackover, Arkansas, heavy oil, was 825,500 barrels, against 793,650 barrels, an increase of 31,850 barrels.

The estimated daily average gross production of the Gulf Coast field was 86,600 barrels, as compared with 87,250 barrels for the preceding week, a decrease of 650 barrels.

The combined daily gross pruodction of the Southwest field was 982,600 barrels, as compared with 953,050 barrels for the preceding week, an increase of 29,550 barrels.

Oklahoma-Kansas shows a daily average gross production of 479,950 barrels, an increase of 25,850 barrels; North Texas shows an increase of 1,250 barrels; Central Texas an increase of 2,750 barrels; North Louisiana an increase of 800 barrels; and Arkansas a decrease of 450 barrels.

The estimated daily average gross production of the Wyoming and Montana field was 145,350 barrels as compared with 143,100 barrels for the preceding week, an increase of 2,250 barrels. Salt Creek is reported at 115,000 barrels against 113,000 barrels.

The estimated daily average gross production for the various pools for which information is available follows:

OKLAHOMA-KANSAS

Oklahoma—	Feb. 2	Jan. 26.
Cushing	24,100	24,200
Yale	7,100	7,100
Jennings	3,250	3,300
Garber	5,400	5,450
Billings	650	600
Tonkawa	38,700	40,000
Blackwell	2,150	2,150
North Okmulgee	16,100	16,200
Burbank (Osage Co.)	99,200	86,000
Osage (outside Burbank)	33,300	32,000
Healdton	17,000	17,000
Hewitt	31,500	21,000
Duncan	8,900	8,850
Lyons - Quinn	1,200	4,200
Bristow	45,300	45,300
Wewoka	9,600	9,300
All others	62,000	60,000
Total, Oklahoma	408,450	382,650
Kansas—		
El Dorado-Towanda	15,600	15,500
Augusta-Fox Bush	9,150	9,400
Peabody - Elbing	7,700	7,800
Florence - Covert	4,050	4,000
All others	35,000	34,750
Total, Kansas	71,500	71,450
Total, Oklahoma-Kansas	479,950	454,100

NORTH AND CENTRAL TEXAS

North Texas—		
Burkburnett	20,750	21,100
Electra	19,300	19,900
Iowa Park and K-M-A	2,300	2,450
Petrolia	350	350
Archer County	20,950	18,250
All others	200	250
Total, North Texas	63,850	62,600
Central Texas—		
Stephens County	20,300	20,250
Ranger (Eastland)	7,150	7,250
Desdemona	4,350	4,600
Young County	4,300	4,200
Mexia	31,250	31,350
Currie	3,650	3,700
Corsicana - Powell	95,000	92,000
Corsicana, heavy	650	650
Strawn	1,800	1,800
Moran	1,850	1,900
All others	10,500	11,550
Total, Central Texas	185,000	132,250
Total, North and Central Texas	248,850	244,850

Untold Oil Wealth Under Semi-Arid Land Of Foothills

By M. D. TRACY
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SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 15 (United Press.)—Forty-three and one-half square miles—27,840 acres—make up that portion of "Naval Reserve No. 1" which the government leased to E. L. Doheny's Pan-American Oil Company and which, with Teapot Dome, is the center of the present oil lease investigation in Washington.

It lies in the Elk Hills region of Kern county, beginning about 25 miles west of Bakersfield, oil center of the San Joaquin valley, California.

The land itself, semi-arid and parched in summer beneath a sun which sends temperatures up close to 120 degrees at times, has been peopled in the past with homesteaders, dry farmers and small stock raisers, attempting to wrest from the earth a rather meager living.

It is in the foothills of the coast range mountains—the Elk Hills leading up to the loftier peaks of the Santa Barbara's, which, in turn, break abruptly into the sea less than 100 miles westward.

Great Oil Pools

Beneath this rather forbidding land is believed to stand pools of oil of untold extent. To the south, east and to the north lies the Lost Hills, the Coalinga, Taft, Santa Maria, McKittrick and other oil fields which have their stories of making millionaires overnight and which are not yet exhausted. Across the Santa Barbara and a little to the southward are the Ventura and Summerland fields, where oil is pumped from the opposite side of the coast range mountains.

Geologists have declared Naval Reserve No. 1 probably one of the richest of the California fields.

Whoever may be found to own this oil now, geologists believe that it originally belonged to Adam and Eve.

It was formed through the ages, by the processes through which nature makes its coal, its oil and many of the other riches of the earth. As the mountains rose from the sea it seeped and trickles from the higher levels into the pools of the foothills and there awaited the coming of man.

Naval Reserve No. 1 was created at the height of the San Joaquin Valley oil boom, while William Howard Taft was President. Under the so-called "Taft Withdrawal Order," which created the reserve, it was withdrawn from entry as public land and turned over to the navy to lie there as America's reserve supply of oil for her fighting ships when a time of emergency might arise.

Only Three Wells

Until leased to the Doheny interests, this field was untouched. Then operations on it were started in what oil men consider only a half-hearted fashion. But three wells have been sunk on the vast lease to date. There are producing approximately 3,000 barrels each per day. Only about a dozen men are employed on the lease, although on the same company's adjoining property about 200 are at work.

This is generally attributed not so much to a desire to let the lease lie idle, as to a method of meeting market conditions. On the Pan-American Company's adjoining leases numerous wells have been driven down to within a short distance of the oil bearing sand and then closed. When market conditions become more favorable these wells can be quickly brought into production. It is belief here that the Pan-American company planned to extend this mode of operation to the naval reserve field.

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German Ambassador's Recall Imminent.

Dr. Otto Weidfeldt

The bitter resentment felt in America by the refusal of the German Embassy in Washington to half-staff its flag out of respect to the memory of Woodrow Wilson is likely to lead to the recall of Dr. Otto Weidfeldt, German Ambassador to the United States.

The total number of Chinese residents abroad was estimated in 1922 at more than 8,000,000. There are 90,000 in Cuba, more than in any other country outside of Asia.

Poisoning cotton plants in the fight against the boll weevil has caused considerable loss of bees in the cotton belt and reduced the amount of honey ordinarily produced in that section.

The lower house of the next New Jersey legislature will include four women members, two republicans and two democrats.

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The opening speech at Groesbeck last Saturday set the campaign in operation full steam, Mr. Davidson said. The campaign organization is being perfected, and a statewide speaking tour is being arranged to begin within the next few days.

J. Sandford Smith received a letter today from Jack Womack who is in a sanitarium at Fort Worth, in which he states he is now feeling fine and has reduced ten pounds.

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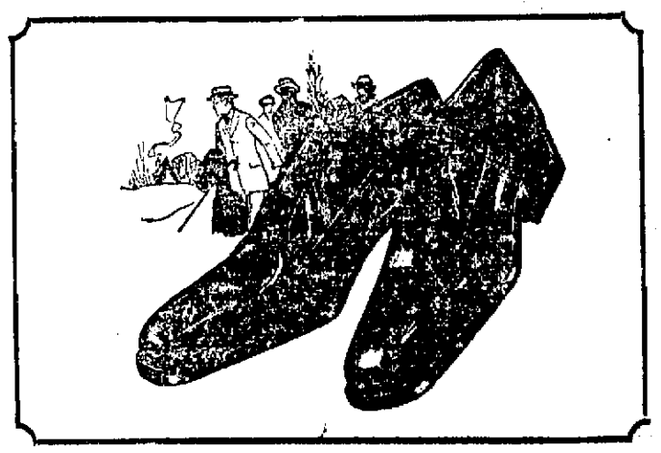

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ARTICLE No. 13

The hands analyzed in this article are not unusually difficult but represent ordinary problems of bidding that come up constantly. The very fact that they are ordinary, however, makes their study interesting and instructive for the average player. In all of the hands, Z is the dealer, Y his partner and A-B his opponents, as:

	Y	
A		B
	Z	

Hand No. 1

Score: A-B, game and no score; Y-Z, game and 20. Z bids one no-trump and A passes. What should Y now bid with the following hand?

Hearts — 8, 2
Clubs — 5, 4, 3
Diamonds — 9, 7, 6
Spades — J, 10, 7, 4, 3

This is one of the closest hands of the series. The problem is: Should Y bid two spades or pass? The fact that Y-Z are twenty on the score is the determining factor. At that score Y should certainly over-bid Z's no-trump.

Hand No. 2

Score: A-B, game and 22; Y-Z, 12. Z bids one spade and A bids two hearts. What should Y now bid with the following hand?

Hearts — K, Q, 7, 4
Clubs — 9, 8, 4
Diamonds — A, J, 10, 3, 2
Spades — 7

The problem in this hand is: Should Y bid two no-trump or three diamonds? Here again the score is the determining factor. Y should certainly bid three diamonds.

Hand No. 3

Score: A-B, 0; Y-Z, game and 14. What should Z as dealer bid with the following hand?

Hearts — Q, 5
Clubs — Q, J, 9, 8, 6, 5, 3, 2
Diamonds — None
Spades — A, K, 5

The problem in this hand is: Should Z, as dealer, make a shut-out bid of five clubs or bid one club, or pass with the firm intention of bidding the clubs on the second round? The better bid seems a shut-out bid of five clubs.

Hand No. 4

No score. What should Z, as dealer, bid with the following hand?

Hearts — A, K, Q, J
Clubs — 6, 4
Diamonds — A, K, J, 7, 6, 4, 3
Spades — None

The problem in this hand is: Should Z, as dealer, show the heart or the diamond suit first? It seems better to bid one diamond first and then to bid the heart suit on the next round if the bidding should make such a course expedient.

Hand No. 5

Score: A-B, 24; Y-Z, game and 20. Z bids one no-trump, A bids two hearts, Y passes, and B bids two spades. What should Z now bid with the following hand?

Hearts — K, J, 10, 8, 5
Clubs — A, K, Q, 9
Diamonds — A, K, Q
Spades — 5

The problem in this hand is: Should Z bid two no-trump or three clubs? The latter bid seems to be the sounder. A two no-trump bid would be very risky and there is a good chance for game at clubs.

Hand No. 6

No score. Z passes, A bids one heart, Y bids two clubs and B passes. Z also passes, A doubles, Y and B pass. What should Z now bid with the following hand?

Hearts — 10, 9, 6, 4, 3
Clubs — None
Diamonds — K, 8, 7, 6, 3
Spades — A, 10, 5

The problem in this hand is: Should Z pass or take his partner out with two diamonds? The two diamond bid seems preferable. It cannot be any worse than the two club bid and may be a great deal better.

Hand No. 7

No score. Z bids one heart; A, one spade; Y, two hearts; and B passes. What should Z now bid with the following hand?

Hearts — A, Q, 7, 5, 2
Clubs — 10, 3
Diamonds — A, K, Q, 10, 8, 3
Spades — None

The problem in this hand is: Should Z pass or show his other suit by bidding three diamonds? It is very tempting to show the diamond suit but such a bid would be unsound. The fact that Y has helped his bid is the determining factor. Z should pass.

Hand No. 8

Score: 24 all, rubber game. Z bids one diamond. What should A now bid with the following hand?

Hearts — A, Q, 8, 7
Clubs — A, Q, 6, 2
Diamonds — 6
Spades — A, Q, 5, 3

There is really no problem in this hand as A should certainly double one diamond. It is a perfect example of a sound informatory double.

Hand No. 9

No score. What should Z, as dealer, bid with the following hand?

Hearts — K, J, 4
Clubs — A, K
Diamonds — Q, 9, 7, 6, 5, 4, 2
Spades — A

The problem in this hand is: Should Z bid one no-trump or one diamond? The only sound bid in this hand is one no-trump.

Hand No. 10

No score. Rubber game. Z bids one spade and A passes. What should Y bid with the following hand?

Hearts — A
Clubs — A, Q, 10, 6, 3
Diamonds — Q, 10, 9, 6, 5, 4
Spades — A

The problem in this hand is: Should Y pass one spade, bid one no-trump, or bid two diamonds? This is really one of the most difficult hands of the series. Personally, the writer would bid two diamonds. The hand is so unbalanced that it should certainly be played at a suit.

The foregoing analyses should be compared closely with your own bids and if there are any differences of opinion, you should try to figure out the reason. A close study and comparison of these hands will be a most valuable lesson.

Solution to Problem No. 6

Hearts — 3, 2
Clubs — 8
Diamonds — A, 10
Spades — None

Hearts — 6 Clubs — 9, 7 Diamonds — J, 7 Spades — None	Y A B Z	Hearts — K, 10, 8 Clubs — None Diamonds — Q, 9 Spades — None

Hearts — J
Clubs — None
Diamonds — 8
Spades — J, 7, 6

Z is in the lead and is playing no-trump. How can Y-Z get every trick against any defense? Z should lead two rounds of spades on which A discards the seven of clubs and the six of hearts; Y discards the trey and deuce of hearts; and B, the 10 and 8 of hearts. On the third lead of spades A must discard the seven of diamonds. He cannot discard the nine of clubs for if he does, Y's eight of clubs will be good and therefore give Y-Z the rest of the tricks. He is, therefore, forced to discard the seven of diamonds. When A discards the seven of diamonds, Y discards the eight of clubs, and thus holds the ace and ten of diamonds. B is now up against the "squeeze." He knows that Y has two diamonds and that Z has the jack of hearts so that no matter what he discards, he loses a trick. If B discards the nine of diamonds Z will lead a diamond and Y will win the remaining tricks. If B discards the king of hearts, Z will lead the jack of hearts and Y will win the last trick with the ace of diamonds. In other words, both A and B are so forced by the discard that Z wins the remaining tricks. This forcing of discards is popularly called the "squeeze" and this problem is a perfect example of the so-called "double squeeze."

WHY BANKS?

LESSON IV

By J. H. PUELICHER, Chairman,
Committee on Public Education, American Bankers Association.

Formerly *the saver paid* to have his money kept in a safe place. Today *he is paid* interest by banks which keep his savings safe. Is this interest on money, saved and deposited in the bank, the only gain to the depositor from saving?

J. H. Puelicher

MONEY SAVED AND DEPOSITED IN BANK = funds for the banker to loan out on farm mortgages, land bank or other farm bonds; railroad, municipal or government bonds; or notes of farmers, merchants and manufacturers. Therefore

SAVING = assisting the farmer to raise crops; the railroads to run trains; the town, city, state or nation to build schools for the children of the depositor and his fellow citizens; or construct water works or other public enterprises.

Saving also equals helping the butcher, baker and grocer to do business so that food is brought within reach of the home; and the manufacturer to make shoes, clothing and the many things people need to live.

Every saver, therefore, is not only putting away money against a rainy day and earning interest on it meanwhile, but he is also making it possible for himself and others to have the luxuries, comforts and necessaries of life,—to enjoy all the advantages of a greater and better civilization. Thus through banks every saver gains a great deal more than merely interest on his money.

Officers Make Big Haul In Southeastern Limestone

A raid led by Sheriff Popejoy in the eastern part of the county on Wednesday against moonshiners, bootleggers and the like showed greater results than any heretofore accomplished in the county since the boom days in Mexia when the Rangers came. A drag net was formed by the sheriff and several of his deputies from other sections of the county and left the county capital before daybreak Wednesday and when they returned about nine o'clock Wednesday night they had found and destroyed three complete liquor outfits, including 3200 gallons of whiskey, mash fifteen gallons of corn whiskey, two 150 gallon boilers, 72 barrels along with other equipment and accessories.

The officers state that the first complete outfit was discovered on the banks of Dooley Creek about ten miles southeast of Groesbeck, where 13 barrels of mash, 150 gallon boiler and other equipment was taken. As they worked their way south they said they found several outfits and where mash and other equipment was found and destroyed.

Late Wednesday afternoon the biggest capture was made on the farm said to be owned by Berry Holmes near Oletha. This is the biggest still ever seen by local officers and was in active operation and pouring therefrom a large stream of pure corn and at the rate of about one-half gallon every twenty minutes. The still was made of copper and would hold 150 gallons of mash. At the still there was 32 barrels of mash, 4 empty barrels, two tents, and a well of water which appeared to have been dug for the special use in connection with the still. There was also found 15 gallons of corn whiskey.

It is understood that six arrests were made in connection with the stills, all whites and all are now in the county jail. The officers state that they feel like they have uncovered the biggest whiskey ring in this part of the state and say many other arrests will be made in connection with the raid within the next few days.

Officers participating in the raid were Sheriff Whit Popejoy, Deputy Sheriffs, Jack Bradley, of Groesbeck, John McBay of Mexia, Boss McKenzie of Thornton, Jim Goodwin of Oletha, John Stanford of Kosse, accompanied by District Attorney C. H. Machen and Assistant County Attorney Carl Cannon.

The fashionable dress for the women of Egypt 6000 years ago was a tight-fitting dress to the ankles, with tight sleeves.

Commissioner John Kennedy was a business visitor to Groesbeck Thursday.

Buy it in Mexia.

Skin Malady On Decline

Ever since the perfection and introduction in this country of the wonderful Black and White Ointment, skin specialists say that such troubles as pimples, blotches, bumps, rash, teter, eczema, "breaking out," ets., are becoming fewer every year.

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Car Burns on Road To Pt. Enterprise

A big six Studebaker car belonging to Isaac Eberstein caught fire Wednesday night about 9 o'clock on the Point Enterprise road two miles from Mexia. It is stated that all of the upholstry and the top was completely destroyed though the tires and the engine were unhurt. It is not known just how the car caught but it is thought that defective wiring was the cause of the fire.

The automobile was covered by insurance.

Misses Zephie Anglin, Ruby Bates and Blanche Boyd of Groesbeck were in Mexia Wednesday.

Buy it in Mexia.

Another Advance Expected In Oil

Fair weather this week has stimulated activity and optimism in this section.

The production at Powell shows a gain, it is understood from records of the week.

At Mexia the production still ranges around 10,000 barrels daily.

An advance of 15 cents per barrel is expected to be posted in the district soon, according to oil men who keep an eye on crude petroleum prices.

CHAPPED HANDS chilblains, frostbite—just rub on soothing, cooling, healing VICKS VAPORUB

Over 17 Million Jars Used Yearly

ON THE WAY DOWN TOWN.

By SLYBOOTS

I spent the past two days seeking an interview with someone who went to Austin Tuesday. I knew it wouldn't do any good to talk to Walker K. Boyd or Garland Adair, as I had already learned that they were speechless both at Austin and since returning. Luckily I ran into J. K. Hughes on the way down town today and what he told about the trip was a plenty. He said that Mr. Adair complained all the way to Austin that it was too lonesome for a young father in the Pullman and he persisted in keeping the lights on and the porter up all night long. Mr. Hughes said that he introduced Pat Patterson to a crowd in the Driskill hotel and that one of them, with more cheek than judgment asked Mr. Patterson what business he was engaged in. Mr. Patterson told his questioner that he used to be an organist. "And why did you give it up?" the interested one continued. To this Mr. Patterson replied that "The Monkey died." This broke up the party and the Mexia delegation walked towards the Capitol building. On the way to the handsome structure, some newsboys crossed the street yelling "Morning Statesman! Morning Statesman!" Judge Fountain Kirby was thus kept grinning and tipping his hat in recognition of the salutation all the way to the building. He asked Tom Walker, at the foot of the Capitol steps, "Did you hear that crowd calling me a Statesman? I didn't know anyone knew that I was coming to town."

Upon entering the august Senate Chamber which was crowded with delegations from all over the state, the Mexia bunch quietly took their seats. In the course of the day's sessions, on two different occasions the Mexia delegates all had the floor at once, that was when they entered and when they left.

The party repaired to the Driskill dining room for lunch. J. C. Huchingson led the way into the magnificent dining room. "Your hat, sir," said a uniformed attendant, extending his hand. "Yes it's my hat and I'm going to keep it too," Mr. Huchingson retaliated with some heat in his otherwise calm tones. He then turned to the Mexia crowd and said let's go to that chili joint we saw back up the avenue, "I knew there was some cheat about such a place as this." According to Mr. Hughes all the old boys from here thought Mr. Huchingson was right about it, so they went and ordered "same here" at the joint in question. That is, all but Mr. Hughes and Rev. E. H. Hudson, who said they were not going anywhere else to be held up but that they would stay right where they were.

Jim Prickett left the party a little afternoon to drive through the country. He said that he reached Williamson county just behind a heavy rain and so hired a farmer to go with him through the county to show him the way. "Look here," exclaimed the perplexed Jim, as he drove his car into his twenthieth puddle, "I thought you knew where all the bad places were in this road." "Well," replied the native, "We're finding them, aint we?"

Mr. Hughes at this juncture stated that he forgot to tell about Ben Stollenwerck. Ben had been so busy getting the bunch ready, that he hadn't had his shoes shined in over a month. The Pullman porter polished them a nice glossy stare on the way down to Austin and upon arrival there, Ben was delayed over an hour in reaching the caucus hold at the hotel. He couldn't find his shoes, he said. The fact was he didn't recognize them covered with three-in-one.

By this time, we arrived at the Hughes building and I politely asked Mr. Hughes if that was all. He said well to be frank about the matter, I had just as well lay all the cards on the table.

"Shoot," I said, grabbing my ever-ready and filling it with lead.

He then said: "We came very near losing Mr. Boyd."

"How's that," I asked interested, and with grave concern.

"Well, you know it was Mr. Boyd's first trip to Austin and he did not know where the Capitol was. He got out of bed early upon arrival in the city and thinking to acquaint himself more fully before the rest of the party aroused from their sleep, he got on a street car to ride to the Capitol building. He didn't want anyone to know he had lived all these years in Texas without visiting the center of government. So he did not ask where the Capitol building was. He rode and rode and rode until some tall and imposing buildings came in sight and got off when the entrance was reached. He stepped boldly up the steps and having heard that the Governor's office was to the right on entering, he went right into the room and asked to see Governor Neff."

"Where do you think you are?" the polite attendant asked.

"I'm in the Capitol," Mr. Boyd answered.

"I beg your pardon sir, but this is the State Asylum for the Insane," he was then told.

"Anyway, Austin knew we were there," said Mr. Hughes in parting.

Of the delegations present, Houston and Mexia created by far the best impression, Houston because of her past and Mexia because of her future.

I'm sorry I didn't go.

NOTICE

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Colon Phillips, W. M.

Called meeting tonight for work in examinations. Stated meeting tomorrow night. Visitors always welcome.

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The American men and women must guard constantly against kidney trouble because we often eat too much rich food. Our blood is filled with acids which the kidneys strive to filter out; they weaken from overwork, become sluggish, the eliminative tissues clog and the result is kidney trouble, bladder weakness and a general decline in health.

When your kidneys feel like lumps of lead; your back hurts or the urine is cloudy; full of sediment, or you are obliged to seek relief two or three times during the night; if you suffer with sick headache, or dizzy, nervous spells, acid stomach or if you have rheumatism when the weather is bad, begin drinking lots of water and get from your pharmacist about four ounces of Jad Salts. Take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys may then act fine.

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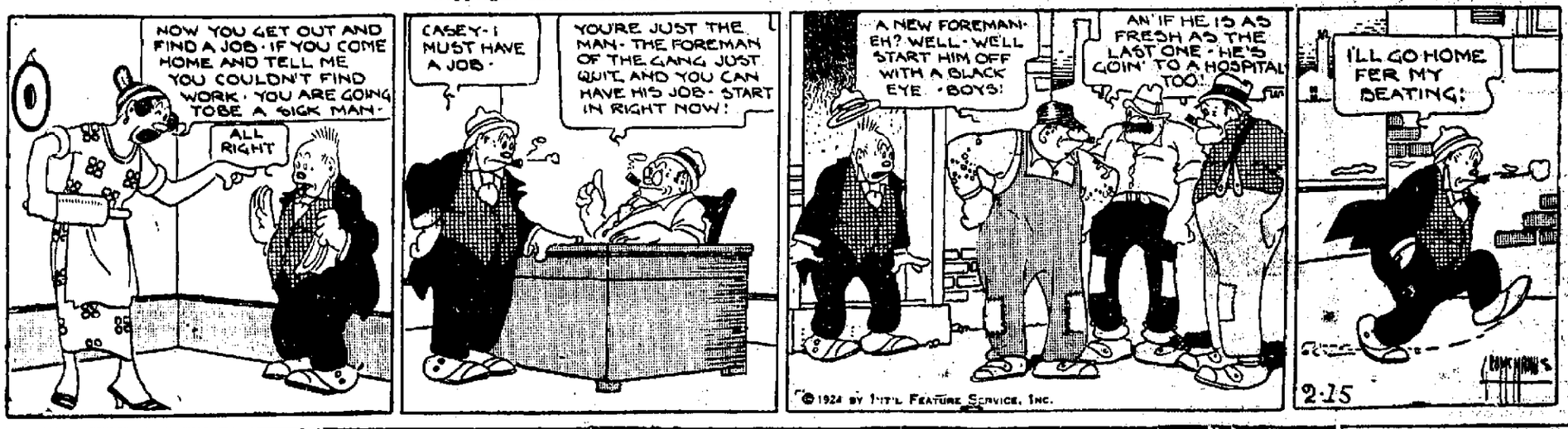
By George McManus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Spirits, Page Mr. Diogenes

ITALY, Texas, Feb. 15.—Diogenes is wanted in this little Texas town.

A local physician has received a letter from a man who says that several years ago he robbed a jewelry store here and wants to make recompensation.

The man wants to know who he robbed and what amount will cover the loss. The doctor has gathered the information and is looking for the fabled old gent with the lantern to supply the man's name and address.

NOTICE.

We have sold the business known as The Bon Ton Bakery, to Propp Bros., they taking charge of same on 14th day of February, 1924. We will not be responsible for any debts or contracts entered into after above date.
Bon Ton Bakery. 15-10

INCOME TAX IN NUTSHELL

WHO?—Single persons who had net income of $1,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more, and married couples who had net income of $1,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more, and married couples who had net in come of $2,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more must file returns.

WHEN?—The filing period is from January 1 to March 15, 1924.

WHERE?—Collector of internal revenue for the district in which the person lives or has his principal place of business.

HOW?—Instructions on Form 1040-A and Form 1040; also the law and regulations.

WHAT?—Four per cent normal tax on the first $4,000 of net income in excess of the personal exemption and credits for dependents. Eight per cent normal tax on balance of net income. Surtax from 1 per cent to 50 per cent on net incomes over $6,000 for the year 1923.

ALEXANDER TO PILOT MARLIN

MARLIN, Texas, Feb. 15.—Walter Alexander, pilot of the Bathers in the 1922 Texas association race, has been signed as manager for the 1924 season at a conference with President B. C. Bratten and E. A. Flowers, secretary-treasurer of the Marlin baseball club, here.

The return of Alex insures another clean-cut club and a baseball team that will be a credit to the city.

T. & P. C.
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15	Dallas Ft. Worth	3:44 p. m.
31	Dallas Ft. Worth	12:50 p. m.
37	Dallas Ft. Worth	5:14 a. m.
17	Dallas Ft. Worth	4:36 a. m.
19	Dallas Ft. Worth	3:55 a. m.

South bound—

346	To cut-off	7:00 a. m.
16	Houston San Antonio	11:45 a. m.
52	From Dallas	10:08 a. m.
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18	Houston San Antonio	1:37 a. m.
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NOTICE TO ALL STOCKHOLDERS OF HUMPHREYS OIL COMPANY

Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the Board of Directors of Humphreys Oil Company, duly and legally called and held in the city of New York on Thursday, February 7th, 1924, of the time and place of which meeting and object and purpose thereof, each member of the Board received more than three (3) days' notice, and at which meeting a majority of the whole Board were present, a resolution was unanimously adopted that in the judgment and opinion of the Board of Directors it was deemed advisable and for the best interests of the corporation and its stockholders, that said Humphreys Oil Company should be dissolved and its franchises surrendered, and further, a special meeting of the stockholders is called to meet at the office of the company at Mexia, Texas, between the hours of ten o'clock in the forenoon and three o'clock in the afternoon, to wit: at eleven o'clock A. M. on Saturday, March 1st, 1924, for the purpose of considering and taking action upon said proposed dissolution. The Secretary of the corporation was authorized and directed to mail within ten (10) days after the date of said directors' meeting, notice to each stockholder of the adoption of such resolution, which has accordingly been done.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
(Signed) COL. H. MAUD,
Secretary of Humphreys Oil Co.
Feb. 8-15-22

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION STATE OF TEXAS.

City of Mexia,
County of Limestone.

On this the 11th day of February, 1924, the City Commission of the City of Mexia, Texas, convened pursuant to adjournment in the City Hall, E. Watson, Mayor, W. C. Wilson, Commissioner, and J. R. Forrest, Commissioner, being present, and among other business transacted, the following ordinance was passed:

AN ORDINANCE

An ordinance ordering a special election in the City of Mexia, Texas, on the 18th day of March, 1924, for the submission of the question, "SHALL A COMMISSION BE CHOSEN TO FRAME A CHARTER, AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING FROM THE CITY OF MEXIA AT LARGE A CHARTER COMMISSION OF NOT LESS THAN 15 MEMBERS AND DESIGNATING THE PLACE AT WHICH SAID ELECTION IS TO BE HELD AND APPOINTING PRESIDING OFFICERS THEREOF AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY."

WHEREAS, the City of Mexia, Texas, has more than 5,000 actual bona fide inhabitants, and whereas, since its incoropration the City has been operating under the General Statutes of Texas, and without a Charter, and whereas, it will be to the best interest and general welfare of said City to adopt a Charter, and thereby confer upon said city the full powers of local self government, as contemplated and authorized by Article 11, Section 5, Constitution of Texas as amended in 1912, and all laws pursuant thereto, and

WHEREAS, on the 5th day of February, 1924, the following request was made to the City Commission of the City of Mexia, Texas, for action:

"We, the undersigned resident citizens of the City of Mexia, Texas, hereby respectfully request the Honorable Mayor and Commissioners to submit to the voters of said city the question whether a commission shall be chosen to frame a charter for said city, said question to be submitted at the first opportune time." signed by W. J. Keeling and 97 others, and

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Mexia, Texas, by a unanimous vote of its members deems it advisable to order an election for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of said city the question "SHALL A COMMISSION BE CHOSEN TO FRAME A CHARTER"; and for the purpose of electing 15 members from the City at large to compose such Charter Commission, and

WHEREAS, the next regular municipal election in and for the City of Mexia, cannot and will not be held until the 9th day of April, 1925 which will be more than 90 days after this ordinance shall have been passed, and it being, therefore, impracticable and impossible to hold the election herein provided for at the next regular municipal election,

THEREFORE, be it ordained by the City Commission of the City of Mexia, Texas:

Section 1. That a special election be held Tuesday the 18th day of March 1924, in the City of Mexia, Tex., for the purpose of submitting the following question, to-wit: "SHALL A COMMISSION BE CHOSEN TO FRAME A CHARTER".

Section 2. That at said election also, there shall be elected from amongst the qualified voters of said city at large 15 Commissioners, whose duty it shall be to frame, report and submit such Charter, in case of a majority of the qualified voters at said election shall vote in favor of the proposition, to choose a Commission to frame such Charter.

Section 3. That the following shall be the form of the ballot to be used in determining the questions provided for in the sections 1 and 2 hereof, at said election, to-wit:

"FOR THE CHOOSING OF A COMMISSION TO FRAME A CHARTER FOR THE CITY OF MEXIA, TEXAS".

"AGAINST THE CHOOSING OF A COMMISSION TO FRAME A CHARTER FOR THE CITY OF MEXIA, TEXAS."

Provided that if any person or persons shall desire to become a candidate or to nominate any person or persons for candidates for members of the said Commission they shall file such names with the City Secretary of the City of Mexia, Texas, not later than the 14th day of March 1924 at 5 o'clock; and the names so filed shall be printed on said ballot in the appropriate blanks, following the provision for an affirmative vote. And in such case, it shall be proper and sufficient for the voter, voting for said Commission to strike out the names of persons for whom he does not desire to vote, and, it shall be proper also for such voter to add to the list of names which may be on the said ballot the names of other persons for whom he desires to vote, and, in case no name shall be printed on said ballot, as herein provide for, the voter shall write thereon the names of those for whom he desires to vote for as members of such Commission. Provided further, that the failure of any voter to vote for as many as 15 separate persons for members of such Commission shall not invalidate his ballot.

Section 4. That the polling place for holding said election shall be the City Hall in the City of Mexia, Texas, and H. L. Hall shall be the presiding officer to hold said election.

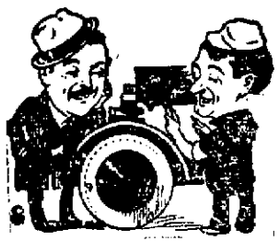
Section 5. That said election shall be held under the provision of Chapter 147, Acts of the Legislature of the State of Texas of 1913, Regular Session; and all persons qualified to vote in said City, under the laws of this State, regulating general elections, shall be allowed to vote.

Section 6. That the manner of holding the said election shall be governed by the General Laws of the State of Texas, regulating General Elections, when not in coflict with the provisions of the law hereinabove referred to.

Section 7. That notice of said election shall be given by publishing this ordinance under the style: "NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION," in the Official Newspaper of said city, published in said city, for thirty (30) full days prior to the date of said election, and shall serve as legal notice of same.

Section 8. The fact that the City of Mexia, Texas, is at the present time without a Charter, and that the public interest requires a Charter, creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity for the suspension of the rules requiring ordinances to be read upon more than one day, and for the immediate taking effect of this ordinance and such rules are hereby suspended, and it is ordained that this ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval.

Passed and approved this the 11th day of February, 1924.
E. WATSON, Mayor.
Attest:
R. D. Morgan, City Secretary.
(Feb. 12 to March 17 incl)



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1924 ELECTIONS

LIMESTONE COUNTY

The following candidates for the offices named submit their names subject to the action of the Democratic primary election to be held in Limestone county on the 26th day of July, 1924:

For Governor—
FELIX G. ROBERTSON.
For District Judge, 77th Judicial Dis.
C. H. MACHEN
For Judge 87th Judicial District—
J. ROSS BELL
(Re-Election 2nd Term)
J. E. WOODS.
For District Clerk—
ELLIS DICKERSON.
M. A. AINSWORTH.
For Representative Limestone County
W. P. ALEXANDER.
For County Judge—
H. F. KIRBY (Re-election sought)
JOHNSON WAKEFIELD
B. W. MILES.
For County Clerk—
J. L. DAY, (re-election.)
For County Tax Assessor—
TOM M. CAIN
R. W. (BOB) STEEN
A. A. HYDEN.
J. L. HIGGINBOTHAM
For Tax Collector—
W. A. ROBBINS. (re-election.)
For County Treasurer—
H. C. FITZGERALD.
For Sheriff—
WHIT POPEJOY (re-election.)
For Commissioner Precinct No. 4—
JOHN M. KENNEDY, (re-election)
For County Treasurer—
MRS. LULA OATES, (re-election.)
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Red Cross Worker in Alaska "Medicine Man" to Natives

Above—Alaskan Indian mothers bring babies for inspection by the Red Cross Nurses.

Right—Miss Ebba Djupe, Red Cross Field Representative in Alaska, wearing the native costume made of Siberian reindeer skin.

FROM Ketchikan in the southeast to Nome in the northwest defines the long and hazardous trail of Miss Ebba Djupe, American Red Cross field representative in Alaska. It is a stretch of 1,400 miles as the crow flies. By boat and dog sled she gravitates out across the mountains with their Indians to the Arctic Circle with its Eskimos and midnight sun.

This Red Cross nurse halts at nothing in her task of organizing the work and services of the eleven Chapters of the American Red Cross that thrive in "Seward's Ice Box," as the Alaskan Peninsula was cynically designated at the time the United States purchased from Russia this land of limitless resources. The Indians and Eskimos, and all the others pioneering in this vast territory, Miss Djupe declares, are "the most lovable people." Duty requiring a steamboat trip up the Yukon river from Nome, and the culinary equipment of the vessel threatening to starve her, Miss Djupe signed as ship's cook, and reports that "the loveliest part of this new occupation is that I will save almost $100 of steamboat fare for the Red Cross."

Arriving at an Indian village from which calls for assistance for the sick adults and children had been sent out, she found nothing but the school building habitable and the place where the sick were congregated in a deplorable condition. There was only one small room to accommodate the sufferers and the Indian women immediately surrounded the cabin, curious to see the stranger come to act the "medicine man."

The needs of health service among the Indians and Eskimos in remote Alaska are very urgent and the death rate among the infants appalling, but through the Red Cross field service in the territory the worst conditions are being attacked with vigor and with encouraging results.

The spirit of this Red Cross service in this difficult field is best conveyed by Miss Djupe, who writes: "Some days I have come back to my room feeling just heartsick, and then I have said: 'This is the reason I am here.' When I came to a spot they call a village I almost gave way to dejection; but then, that is the reason why I am here, else the American Red Cross certainly never would have given me the chance to be chief steward on a steamboat with four Eskimos to take my orders."

CITIZENSHIP
-Thought for the Day

By A. Garland Adair

A DOUBLE HERITAGE

In his speech before the House of Representatives, March 2, 1920, "On the Anniversary of Texas Independence, Congressman Fritz G. Lanham, spoke as follows:

"On March 1, 1837, the United States recognized Texas as a free and independent country. There was an unsuccessful attempt at reconsideration next day, which makes March 2nd doubly a memorable date in our history.

France, Holland, Belgium and England subsequently took similar action, and France sent a minister to the new government.

The Federal Government had its president. So did Texas. It had it Congress. So did Texas. It has its flag, as Governor Winthrop once said 'A star for every state and a state for every star' Texas had its flag. Other states had their emblems and banners, it is true, but Texas had its flag, bathed in and bought by the blood of its martyred heroes. In this respect, also, it is a Lone Star State.

May I not say therefore, inasmuch as the early history of Texas is the history of th ebrave settlers who came there from the various states, that paradoxical as it may seem, the Texan, with a sincere and undivided allegiance, has a double heritage. Two countries are his; two flags are his; two glorious histories are his. He may add to the glamor of Lexington and Concord the glory of the Alamo and San Jacinto. He realized with pride that the fires of patriotism burned in Washington, in Patrick Henry, in Israel Putnam, in Anthony Wayne and many others who labored with them, but he knows that the cause of freedom had worthy advocates in Austin, in Bowie, in Travis, in Lamar, in Crockett, in Houston and the scores o fothers who have made glorious the pages of Texas history. In this spirit, we may all be Texans on this anniversary, and in our high regard for and devotion to the cause and principles of freedom, I feel sure that in the language of the slogan of the Texans in their struggle for Independence, we are all "One and Indivisible."

T. E. L. CLASS TO HAVE TRAMP CLASS WITH THEM SUNDAY AT BAPTIST CHURCH

The T. E. L. Class of the First Baptist church has invited the Tramp Class to visit with them in the class room Sunday morning at 9:45 promptly.

Every member of both classes is urged to be present and to bring somebody with him.

A very interesting lesson and music have been arranged.

Mrs. S. E. Ingram left Wednesday for a visit with her son, Robert Ingram and family at Brownwood. She spent the past two months visiting her daughter, Mrs. Garland Adair. She was accompanied as far as Dallas by another son, Walter Ingram, who has been on a visit here for the past week. Mrs. Ingram's home is at Avery, Texas.

Fred Karner was in Kansas City Thursday, according to a message read before the Rotary club, in which he stated that he was attending Rotary there that day.

WHY FINANCE FAVORS INCREASED FARM EXPERIMENT FACILITIES

American Bankers Association Indorses Purnell Bill Because It Believes What Is Good for Farming Is Good for the Country—Obsolete Farm Methods Doomed.

By D. H. OTIS, Agricultural Director, American Bankers Association

If the agricultural colleges and experiment stations are to function effectively and give up-to-date, reliable information and aid in respect to farm problems, they must have sufficient funds to carry on adequate research and experimental work so as to discover practical ways to improve agriculture. The present Federal appropriation of only $30,000 a year to each of the experiment stations is deplorably inadequate to meet the pressing needs that are constantly coming before them.

D. H. Otis

The Purnell bill, which has been before Congress and will again be urged during the present session, provides for an increase of $15,000 in the national appropriation for each agricultural experiment station. It also provides for gradually increased appropriations until the total amount equals $85,000 annually for each institution. The American Bankers Association, through its Administrative Committee, has placed itself squarely on record as being in favor of this measure because it believes that what is thus fundamentally good for farming is good for the country.

What Farming Requires

Farming requires skill of no mean sort. A farmer is ever facing new conditions and must adjust his activities to cope with them. The problems of the soil, of crop production, livestock breeding and feeding, and business management of the farm call for as high an order of brain power as any industry. The young man of today need not leave the farm for a career. There is abundant opportunity for the exercise of his best faculties in helping to develop a basic industry that affects the welfare of every human being.

In order to farm properly and economically, the farmer must be equipped with a high degree of technical skill. Farming by guesswork belongs to the past. No longer can he gauge his activities by the position and shape of the moon. Success demands the application of the best knowledge and experience available. New problems arise daily. New solutions must be found. Discoveries are being made that affect practical farm methods tremendously. Insect pests and plant diseases are constantly putting in their appearance and must be combated by the most effective methods. Competition makes that imperative.

Old Ways Do Not Pay

Land prices have been soaring. Following the Civil War, immense areas of fertile land were available almost for the asking. But today the most efficient land is all taken up, and the expansion of our agricultural production must come from either increased yields per acre or from farming the less efficient land. The higher the price of land the greater the overhead. What was profitable on cheap lands may be very unprofitable on high-priced land. To meet these changing conditions requires new stores of knowledge and new methods of applying knowledge.

Today many old methods of farming are inadequate and unprofitable. Time was when it may have been cheaper to let a horse or cow die rather than to go to the expense of calling a veterinarian. Today we must discover new methods of treating disease and saving our cows. We must also discover ways and means to prevent disease, to improve our feeding methods, and to avoid waste. We are living in an age of specialization, which means that we must produce more per unit.

ALL OF THIS REQUIRES KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE. THE TAX OF IGNORANCE IS THE LARGEST TAX THAT WE PAY, AND UNFORTUNATELY WE GET NOTHING IN RETURN FOR WHAT WE PAY IN THIS WAY.

The Experiment Stations

The agricultural experiment stations have done a great work not only for the farmer but for the community and the country as a whole. They have developed improved methods of breeding and feeding and of selection. They have saved farmers of the country millions of dollars by discovering the best methods of applying fertilizers, by determining conditions under which new and valuable crops can be successfully grown, by studying crop rotation and the utilization of by-products, and by developing mechanical devices that save labor and increase efficiency.

Much as the experiment stations have done, research work is still in its infancy. There are still greater problems awaiting solution. We must delve deeper, we must push further into the unknown, we must devise systems of farming that are more profitable than the ones we are now using. The experiment stations must have increasing financial support to achieve these ends.

TEAMWORK

EVERY BUSINESS MAN'S GREATEST OBLIGATION

By WALTER W. HEAD
President American Bankers Association

We speak reverentially of "Our Country." What do we mean? Are we thinking of the service which we owe to our country, of the love which we bear for it, or are we thinking only of the protection which our country can afford us, only of the benefit which we may derive from it? Are we thinking of what we may do for our country, or of what our country may do for us?

Walter W. Head

Our duty to ourselves and our country requires positive as well as negative action. We must be constructive. As citizens of our country, do we fulfill the obligations incumbent upon us? Do we exercise our right to vote—and when we do, do we always place intelligence, efficiency and patriotism in government ahead of every other consideration?

The message which I wish to emphasize is a simple truth, one easily understood, but one of great importance, perhaps more important today than ever before: We—I, as an individual—must be responsible for our government—my government.

We cannot delegate our responsibility in government to someone else. There is no substitute for individual interest in government and individual responsibility for government.

I have said to bankers that the greatest duty of the banker today is not to loan money, but to loan himself—to the service of his community.

MANY A WAY TO OBTAIN CREDIT

The farmer, who is the initial producer of goods, has more agencies designed to assist in his financing than has any other group, partly as a result of the natural growth of our present financial structure and partly because of the special agencies created by the government during recent years. The list of his credit sources is a surprisingly large one, for he may borrow directly from the savings banks, trust companies, and insurance companies; may use the Federal Farm Loan Banks and the Joint Stock Land Banks; may sell his mortgages through local farm loan mortgage brokers, the larger mortgage companies, and certain investment bankers' houses; if a cattle raiser, he can discount his paper with cattle loan companies; his marketing is often done through a state or national co-operative marketing association; he has access to the regular commercial banks for short time funds; and of course, participates as any other consumer in the usual retail store credit. Moreover, the Federal Reserve Act has provided broad accommodation for agriculture in its text as originally adopted and in the several amendments since made, and the Agricultural Credits Act authorizes the establishment of the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank as a further aid. When one hears the statement made that in our economic system the farmer alone is not provided for, the answer is merely, "It isn't so." Many people are coming to believe, and this includes some of the agricultural bloc in Congress, that the farmer's trouble is not due to his lack of credit but to having had credits granted too easily and in too large amounts.—*Journal of the American Bankers Association.*

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Bread Prices Next Expected

By [illegible]
Associated Press Correspondent

[illegible] plaintiff's demand being as follows: That on October [illegible], on the 5th day of March, 1923, defendant made, executed and delivered to plaintiff his [illegible] note for $[illegible], due and payable to the order of plaintiff at Mexia, [illegible] on April 1, 1924; that on April [illegible], 1923, defendant paid to plaintiff the sum of $150.00 leaving an unpaid balance on said note of $[illegible]. That [illegible] provides for ten per cent [illegible] attorney's fees if placed in the hands of an attorney for collection. That plaintiff has placed said note in the hands of an attorney for collection [illegible] to pay him the ten per cent provided for in said note. That the [illegible] on said note is past due and [illegible] and defendant though often [illegible] and refused and [illegible] to pay the same or any part thereof, to plaintiff's damage $472.75, including interest and attorney's fees. Plaintiff prays judgment for its debt, interest and attorney's fees, $472.75 and interest from date of filing suit at rate of ten per cent, and for such other relief as [illegible] may seem proper.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand this the 13th day of Feb., 1924.

Issued the 13th day of Feb., 1924.

O. Kennedy, Justice Peace Precinct No. 4, Limestone County, Texas.

Feb. 14-21-28 Mar. 6.

The Progressives today will decide which course promises sacrifice and more rewarding revolution of the cash about bread. Their decision will be embodied in a resolution to be introduced later today, probably by LaFollette.

Publicity is the ornament in favor of a Senate inquiry.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

Farmers State Bank of Mexia, Texas, vs. W. H. Harper, No. 794.

In the Justice Court, Precinct No. 4, Limestone County, Texas.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Limestone County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded, as before, that you summon W. H. Harper, by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published, to appear at the next regular term of the Justice Court, Precinct No. 4, Limestone County, Texas, to be holden at my office in the City of Mexia, Texas, on the second Tuesday in March, 1924, same being the 11th day of March, 1924, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 21st day of November, 1923, in a suit numbered 794 on the docket of said court, wherein the Farmers State Bank of Mexia, Texas, is plaintiff and W. H. Harper, is defendant, the nature of

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VANDERLIP IS SEVERELY GRILLED BY PROBERS

Coolidge Selects Philadelphia Lawyer as Counsel

Government Officials Alleged Lost Heavily, Market Plunge

Says He Based His Speech On Hearsay Only

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—Frank Vanderlip underwent a severe cross examination before the Senate committee investigating the oil scandal.

Vanderlip said he stated in his speech at Ossining about the purchase of the Harding newspaper that he based his knowledge on rumors and not on facts. Vanderlip refused to say where he got the information for saying that the committee is afraid to question Fall further. "I am familiar with Senate committees and their powers, and I didn't believe that committee could be stopped from questioning a witness," Vanderlip said. When asked what information he had that Fall was about to "peach", Vanderlip said, "I heard from a very high quarter, I won't name it, that he had that inclination and was about to use it. If you tell me you had legal reason to take the course you did, I'll say your action was warranted. But I still think you could have passed legislation compelling Fall to testify." Vanderlip said he had received much commendation for the speech he made.

The committee learned after two hours severe grilling that Vanderlip had no information on which to base his statement that the sale of the Marion Star should be investigated.

Teapot Dome Today

Frank A. Vanderlip, New York financier, was scheduled as the first witness before the Senate Teapot Dome committee today, to tell whether information or rumor led him to say that the sale of the Marion Star by the late President Harding ought to be investigated. Vanderlip has since admitted in several public statements that he has no information and if he tells the committee that, he is in for a sharp quizzing as to his reasons for making his original statement.

While the committee was questioning Vanderlip, President Coolidge was expected to select another lawyer to succeed Silas H. Strawn, Chicago, whose nomination as "presidential counsel" to prosecute the oil cases was withdrawn late Thursday. Strawn's nomination was withdrawn after the Senate Teapot Dome committee notified the President that Strawn's connection with the Chicago "Standard Oil Banks" made his confirmation impossible.

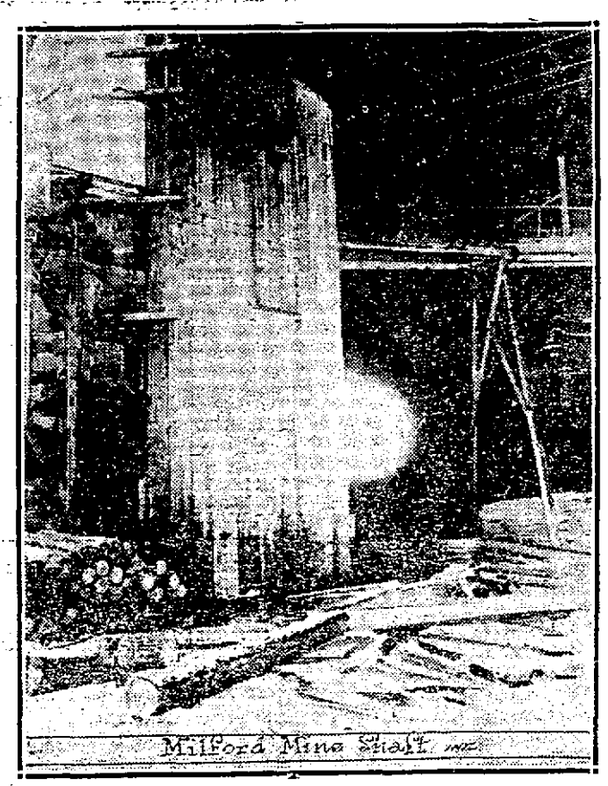
Atlee Pomerene, Ohio, the other laywer nominated was not withdrawn in spite of objections to him and indications from the White House were that Mr. Coolidge considered the fight on Pomerene merely political and would insist on his confirmation.

The Senate committee was preparing to pursue several lines of inquiry. Testimony of John C. Shaffer, Denver and Chicago newspaper owner, yesterday indicating that Fall began negotiations with Harry F. Sinclair for leasing Teapot Dome soon after Fall took office in 1921, will be followed up, because at that time the naval reserves were not even in Fall's jurisdiction and the committee wants to know whether he had some understanding when he entered the Cabinet that the reserves would be transferred from the Navy to the Interior Department. Such evidence would clinch the evidence of fraud and corruption in making the leases and would make certain their annulment by the courts, committee members believed.

Investigation of the $1,000,000 "slush fund" reported loaned to the Government officials by oil men went ahead quietly as E. B. McLean Washington publishre, sped to Washington to be the first witness concerning the funds.

Senator Wheeler, Montana, author of a resolution for investigation of Attorney General Daugherty, decided today to let his measure lie on the table for a few days so as not to conflict with the Teapot Dome inquiry proper.

41 DIE IN STRANGE MINE DISASTER.



Above is pictured the shafthead of the Milford Mine at Crosby, Minn., where 41 miners were drowned in a strange disaster. The floor of a lake over the mine property caved in through the ceiling of one of the lower levels of the mine, completely inundating the underground workings.

WATCHMAN BODY FOUND AFTER BUILDING BURNS

DALLAS, Texas, Feb. 15.—The body of August Hoenig, aged night watchman, was found in the blazing Hughes auction house, that was damaged $50,000 by the fire. There was a bullet hole through his head. Police believe that he committed suicide. An investigation is being made. The body was found by firemen who extinguished the blaze.

O. D. Hallum, cashier of the First State Bank at Tehuacana spent Wednesday in Waco attending the meeting of the Bankers of the fourth district of Texas which convened there this week.

Youth Surrenders After Kicking Boy To Death Tuesday

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio, Feb. 15.—The two day hunt for the slayer of little Paul Prologo, ended late last night when Joseph C. Kane, 22, surrendered to police and made a full confession as to how he kicked the boy to death in Lincoln Park here Tuesday night.

SPORTS

CAMBRIDGE, Mass.—Althought he had never represented Harvard in competition, Bobby Jones, Atlanta golf star, was awarded the Harvard varsity "H" for distinguished service in winning the American open golf championship.

HOT SPRINGS, Ark.—Babe Ruth, baseball's "swat king," got down today to the task of making himself fit his last year's uniform. The Babe arrived yesterday from New York and said he had fifteen pounds to ake off and knew how to do it.

CHICAGO.—Practically all members of the Cubs are here today preparing to leave tomorrow for Catalina Island training camp. Charley Hollocher, shortstop, probably will not accompany the team as President Veech has refused to agree to his back salary demands.

CHICAGO.—Wladek Zbyszko and Renato Gardini will meet in the main bout of a wrestling show here tonight.

STATE BANKS SHOW DEPOSITS INCREASE

AUSTIN, Texas, Feb. 15.—Deposits in State banks December 31 last year, totaled $247,179,316, an increase of $39,705,418, as compared with statement in September. Cash on hands exceeds that of a year ago by $28,500,000.

CONGRESS TODAY

House

Alameda naval base hearing continues.

Boulder dam hearings resumed.

Judiciary Committee hearing on child labor amendment.

Tax bill before House.

Senate

Interior Department appropriation bill.

Teapot Dome inquiry.

OWEN J. ROBERTS NOMINATED BY PRESIDENT IN OIL CASE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—Owen J. Roberts of Philadelphia was nominated by President Coolidge as special counsel in the oil fraud case to succeed Silas H. Strawn. Roberts was recommended by Senator Pepper of Pennsylvania.

Much Regret Is Expressed On Death Of Citizen

Much regret has been expressed because of the death Wednesday of Charles Mann, a plumber of this city, who died as a result of a freak accident at Jimmie's cafe where he was working on a job at the time of sustaining the injuries which later proved fatal. He was held in high esteem by all who knew him.

W. H. Smith of this city, states that Mr. Mann was not in his employe at the time of the accident, but, the Monday before had entered business for himself, since Mr. Smith had discontinued his own plumbing business temporarily. He greatly deplores the death of Mr. Mann, saying that he was an efficient workman and a noble gentleman. The deceased had been in Mexia about 2½ years.

According to a message from the Elks club of Denver he was a member in good standing of that order.

The body is being held at the J. I. Riddle Undertaking department, pending the arrival of relatives who are now enroute to take charge of burial arrangements.

According to messages received from Colorado, Miss Genevieve Mann and sister are now coming from Denver to Mexia, having received the message informing them of his death.

Three Year Old Fights For Life

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Feb. 15.—While 3-year-old Steve Konyati was fighting for his life today against a strange malady that has gripped his body for fifteen days and held him in a state of coma, specialists consulted in an effort to diagnose the case.

Baby Steve's mother, Mrs. Catherine Konyati, watching unceasingly by the bedside of her boy, who was born by a Caesarian operation, declared today she would maintain her vigil until he is improved or beyond help.

BUILDING PROGRAM PROMISING HERE

Work has begun on the new home being built by Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Crow. The handsome structure is to be built on Ross Avenue just off of Commerce and in the same block with several other new homes just built.

According to local lumbermen many families are now planning new homes here. Spring is expected to witness a very active home building campaign.

WIDLEY KNOWN DOCTOR DIES AT ABILENE

ABILENE, Texas, Feb. 15.—Dr. George H. Sandefer, 52, widely known Texas physician, died at his home here Thursday after an illness of several months.

OLIVER HARRIMAN TO WED MODEL.

The above is an artistic study of Miss Harriett Hewitt, former mannequin in a New York hat shop, drawn by Harrison Fisher, the noted artist. The beautiful model will become the bride of Oliver Carley Harriman, son of the millionaire New York banker, as soon as the first Mrs. Harriman's interlocutory divorce decree becomes final. Young Harriman himself is a banker, clubman and noted sportsman.

"Ball Player's Case Reeks With Perury"-Judge

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 15.—The jury returned a verdict in favor of Joe Jackson in his suit for $16,711 back pay from the Chicago White Sox.

Judge Gregory set aside the Jackson verdict because he said his testimony "reeked with perjury."

FIGHTS AND FIGHTERS

NEW YORK.—Paul Berlenbach, the latest boxing sensation, who has scored 23 knockouts in his first 23 bouts, meets Pat Walsh in a 12-round bout tonight in Madison Square Garden.

NEW YORK.—Paul Doyle, New Jersey welterweight, won a 10-round decision from Fred Archer, who claims the European welterweight title.

PATTERSON, N. J.—Ad Stone, Philadelphia light-heavyweight, outpointed Ray Neuman, Jersey City, in a 12-round bout here.

NEWARK, N. J.—Jack Zivich, Pittsburgh lightweight, knocked out Johnny Darcy, Bayonne, in the tenth round.

CHARLOTTE, N. C.—Jack Dempsey, world's heavyweight champion, boxed through four rounds of an exhibition bout last night with Mike O'Dowd.

M'KEESPORT, Pa.—Tommy Ryan won a 10-round decision bout from Terry Martin, New York, last night.

T. W. DAVIDSON TO OPEN HEADQUARTERS IN DALLAS

Lee P. Pierson stated today that State Headquarters for T. W. Davidson for Governor would be opened March the first in the Orinental Hotel at Dallas. Judge Piersón also says that his relations as Campaign Manager for the Lieutenant Gover will not interfere with his local professional duties.

FAMOUS ACTOR DYING TODAY SAYS REPORT

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Feb. 15.—Theodore Roberts, the actor, is sinking rapidly. Death is expectede in a few hours, and hope is abandoned.

Former Secretary Fall Texas Bound

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Feb. 15.—Former Secretary of the Interior Albert B. Fall, central figure of the Teapot Dome scandals, spent an hour between trains here last night en route from Washington to El Paso, Texas, where he was called by the serious illness of his wife.

Fall was in a virtual state of collapse and was assisted to and from the trains. He spent his hour here in bed. He was accompanied by a nurse and by his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Jack Fall.

GULF COAST SEVEN AT THE PALACE THEATRE

What promises to be some of the highest class musical entertainment yet heard in Mexia this season will be that of the "Gulf Coast Seven" at the Palace Theatre tonight and tomorrow.

Every member of this orchestra is an artist with his instrument. Henry Sullivan with his big bass horn is sure to make a hit for it can be safely said that Henry knows how to round out those notes in the most melodeous style. Ralph Pitts handles the big saxaphone in good style as a soloist, playing catchy airs that are sure to please the audience.

This company will be at the Palace for two days.

WOMAN KILLED WHEN CAR HIT BY TRAIN

FARMERSVILLE, Texas, Feb. 15.—Mrs. Ray Hess was instantly killed near here Thursday when the automobile she was driving was struck by a Santa Fe passenger tarin.

Wall Street Is Said To Have Aided At Once

By PAUL R. MALLON
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—Officials high in the Government lost heavily in stock market plunges a year or more ago and a $1,000,000 "slush fund" was used to cover their losses, according to private information given today as a tip to the Senate committee investigating the oil reserves scandal.

When the plight of the officials became known to some of their friend in Wall street, $1,000,000 is said to have been raised andn transferred from a New York to a Washington bank.

Relation of the $1,000,000 fund to the oil scandal is expected to be established by disclosures showing that big oil men subscribed the money.

This million was used purely as a loan, according to the story told the committee, and all of it was repaid but $200,000.

A dispute over the $200,000 which still is believed unsettled caused hard feeling between the Wall street men who raised the money and at least one who was involved as a borrower from the fund. Through this hard feeling the Senate committee hopes to ferret out the truth about the transaction.

Edward B. McLean, millionaire Washington publisher, is reported hurrying north from Palm Beach to tell the committee whether he knows anything about the fund.

A subpoena was issued for McLean and he wired his newspaper in Washington he was leaving immediately.

Some prominent New York financiers, supposed to be "in the know" on everything in the street, are to be called to see if they can advance any information.

Senator Walsh, leading investigator, announced Otto H. Kahn and Benjamin F. Yoakum, former railroad president, would be subpoenaed.

Calling of Mcean again created a new sensation. It was his testimony regarding a $100,000 "loan" to Albert B. Fall, which really opened up the present startling scope of the inquiry. This testimony was given at Palm Beach some weeks ago when McLean told Senator Walsh that Fall borrowed $100,000 in checks to buy a ranch but three days later returned the checks uncashed and said he had arranged to get the money elsewhere.

Fall previously had said he got the purchase price of the ranch from McLean. McLean's story started a whole train of disclosures, including E. L. Doheny's story of a $100,000 loan to Fall and J. W. Zevely's story of a $25,000 Sinclair loan and gave the committee many new leads bearing on the leasing of the naval reserves.

TESTIMONY ENDS IN SHAW MURDER CASE

GAINESVILLE, Texas, Feb. 15.—The jury in the case of Harry Shaw, charged with the murder of his unlce, Jack Grundy, was to be charged by District Judge Pearman here today.

Testimony was concluded Thursday with Shaw's cross-examination. Shaw said that Grundy had spoken abusively of Mrs. Shaw and that it "made him so mad he had no sense."

NEW COMPANY AT THE OPERA HOUSE

(Press Notice)

A new company with an "All-Girl Show" will be seen at the Opera House tonight.

Manager Bevering states that this is the first time this show has made it's appearance in this city and it promises to be classy and snappy.

TEST ON HACKNEY DOWN AROUND 2875 FEET TO RAT HOLE AHEAD BEFORE THE CASING IS TO BE SET

The Hackney test, three and a half miles northeast of the Fishpond district and about two miles from Worthham, is still holding the center of interest in local oil circles.

It is thought that within the next few days, it should be known whether it is to be a producer or a dry hole.

Plans are understood to have been perfected to rat hole ahead before the casing is set. It is now down to a depth around 2875 feet.

It is being drilled by Lytel and Carter, Iowa capitalists.

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OSTRACIZING THE POCKET FLASK

Again the counties in this section of Texas, where are located the oil fields, are in the spotlight because of the many arrests made in connection with the illicit manufacture of liquor and because of violations of the Volstead act.

Although these raids have been from twenty five to thirty miles from Mexia, in all instances, Mexia, like Corsicana, will come in for an undue amount of publicity of the most unfavorable character.

As event follows event, it becomes very apparent that Mexia during the oil boom period never witnessed as much of law violation as has accompanied the development of the Powell area. This is not said with a boast, but with a keen sympathy for the areas infested by the lawless liquor element. It all shows that public sentiment, not only here, but elsewhere, must be aroused and put the pocket flask out of business just like it once put the open saloon out of the running.

The fact is that districts other than those where illegal stills are operated must support them and that they could never be run with profit, if buyers were not found elsewhere. The "corn whiskey" manufactured in the Southeastern part of Limestone County was probably dispensed all over Texas and it behooves the citizenship all over Texas to create such a sentiment and such hard times for the bootleggers that they will be forced out of business.

The little pocket flask is a giant public enemy. It must be ostracised from decent society.

The time is here when men and women who made prohibition possible must take a stand on the question. They must form a militant front, else admit they are powerless to protect themselves, their homes and their children from the lawless element of the country.

A PRACTICAL PROGRAM FOR 1924

Mexia's needs are numerous. Some of them are major while others are minor. Some of them create imperative demands upon the public, if Mexia is to become a bigger and better city. While achieving big things, the little ones should not be neglected.

The News offers the following list of needs that should be given attention in 1924 and carried to a successful conclusion:

1. **The water situation completely solved.** Mexia's water situation is not fully understood by many citizens. The conditions are by no means bad. In fact they are very promising. With an adequate supply of water available and of a pure quality, the proposition is largely one of bringing it to town and having at all times a reserve close at hand to take care of the city for a reasonable period in case of accident, breaking of the main leading to the corporate limits, or in case of a big fire. The News suggests a committee of citizens to go over the situation immediately, appointed by the city officials to make recommendations that will at all times assure Mexia an abundnace of pure water and prevent a recurrence of a water scarcity experienced last summer, to lead ultimately also to a reduction in the price to the consumer.

2. **More light for Mexia streets,** with particular attention to dark spots in the residential areas, alleys, in front of all local churches and schools, and a White Way for the business district. These are mentioned in the order of their importance.

3. **A Memorial Building, including a City Auditorium,** which may be used as a community center, and also so arranged as to enable Mexia to become a convention center in this part of Texas.

4. **The Hughes City Park beautified and equipped** so that it may prove a real playground for the children and a place of recreation and rest for all, with attention also given to a tourist camp for parties traveling through in autos on cross country trips.

5. **A ceaseless campaign for public health,** with constant attention by citizens to their premises in cooperation with the city sanitary department; no open sewers and cess pools of filth and disease; and all possible breeding spots for mosquitoes oiled frequently, and the paved streets kept clean all the time.

6. **Realizing agriculture is the permanent basis for general prosperity in this section, The News urges a more zealous endeavor to cooperate with the farmers of this territory in land conservation; the development of fertilizing plants and the offering of premiums on best farm crops for 1924,—along the lines recently suggested by J. W. Stubenrauch.**

7. **A larger tin bucket brigade for Mexia**—the new cotton mills to be the initial step forward in making this an industrial center of great moment.

8. **Always back up campaigns of local churches and schools** in their ambitious plans to meet the spiritual and educational and social needs of the community.

9. **The paving program completed,** including the paving of the alleys and the improvement of all unpaved streets.

10. **Constant encouragement should be given to home seekers and home builders.**

11. **A new city charter** to suit conditions, properly presented and fully discussed and understood by the citizens prior to the day they are called to the polls to vote on it.

12. **Lower frie insurance key rate,** and lower rates for all public utilities as rapidly as consistent with public weal.

ONE OUT OF EIGHT NEW BUILDINGS LOST BY FIRE

By S. W. STRAUS,
President American Society for Thrift.

S. W. STRAUS

FEW people in this country realize perhaps that we destroy by fire one out of every eight new buildings we erect, and that the same destructive element causes a loss of forty lives a day.

These statements, startling in the extreme, are based on the most recent estimates of fire losses compiled by the National Board of Fire Underwriters and authentic building statistics. The reports for 1922 now being compiled and to be completed within a few weeks thus far reveal total fire losses of more than $521,000,000. When completed they will show an even larger total. The estimates do not include fires on all farms. In many rural districts Secretary of Agriculture Wallace recently estimated losses run to at least $50,000,000 annually.

Inasmuch as new building operations in this country in 1922 were $4,000,000,000, it will be seen that on a conservative basis our fire losses amount to not less than 12½ per cent of our new building construction.

Our per capita losses in 1918 were $3.36. In 1922 they had increased to $4.75. During the decade 1912-1922 our total losses by fire increased approximately 100 per cent, and during the previous decade 1902-1912 the total increase in fire losses was a little less than 30 per cent.

Our annual loss of life from fire is in excess of 15,000 and is continually growing.

Students of fire conditions are united in saying that most fires are the result of sheer carelessness. The prevention of fires is an important phase of thrift, and all banks, schools and other agencies which are endeavoring to promote thrift in this country should give attention to education in fire prevention.

So great are our fire losses and so rapidly are they increasing that they are becoming an outstanding factor in our economic situation and are adding to the cost of living.

Chandler Well Shows Signs Of Oil, Say Reports

CHANDLER, Texas, Feb. 15.—Keen excitement is being displayed in this little East Texas city over the showings of oil in the Grewe test which was sunk near this town several months ago. Both local citizens and State prospectors are interested deeply and are turning their eyes to the shallow fields of Eastern Texas.

Many people from various portions of East Texas have become interested in the test and have made trips to the well, and declare that certain signs of oil occur in the slush pit. Artesian water now runs from the well and this flow is accompanied continually by a considerable amount of oil. The well is down to a depth of 2600 feet and has been closed down by the operators for some time, the base of the Austin chalk having been reached.

There are unmistakable showings of oil in the Hodge well also, which is located near the Grewe well. One prominent State driller who visited the scene today, declared that there were unquestionable signs of oil, and that he believed that oil of high gravity test would be found in paying quantities when the drill goes deeper.

There was considerable excitement in various portions of East Texas, and in a number of cities nearby when the report was given out that a strike had been made. Hundreds of cars, loaded with visitors, from Tyler, Athens, Canton, Palestine, Jacksonville, Alto, Rusk and Troup visited the scene today, as they have been for the past three days.

Dr. Q. O. Gaither, who made the location for the test, also the geologist who located the Burke well in Powell field, is of the opinion that the Hodge well will be a good producer. Oil of good gravity is being dipped from the slush pit and carried away in bottles and buckets by visitors.

This series of tests is located northwest of the famous Nacogdoches county shallow field, which produces the highest gravity test oil produced. Other tests are being made in various directions from both fields, principally near the following East Texas cities: Alto, Crockett, Augusta, Jacksonville, and Ponta.

All tests are expected to be rushed during the coming summer months and the efforts put forth by various development companies will likely be rewarded during 1924. Geologists who have gone over Cherokee county state that they are of the opinion that a "mammoth pool" is located somewhere in the bounds of the county others contend that it will be found in Rusk county, still others in Henderson county. Keen excitement and rapid developments progress as the race for finding this shallow pool continues. The Alto territory presents splendid prospects for gas, as continual escapement of natural gas is recorded on the farm of J. P. Grimes near that city.

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How to Get the Most From Your "B" Battery

By G. E. Furness
Radio Battery Engineer

How Tubes Draw "B" Battery Current

ACTUAL figures showing the plate current of the different receiving tubes when used as audio frequency amplifiers at 90 volts of "B" battery are given in the accompanying table. This compilation is the result of a great number of tests made on tubes under conditions of actual use. Plate current is shown in milli-amperes, a milli-ampere being one-thousandth of an ampere.

Current of Receiving Tubes

Tube	"B" Volts	"C" Volts	Plate Current Milli-Amperes
WD-11 and WD-12	90	0	4.5
	90	—4½	2.5
UV-199 and C-299	90	0	4.0
	90	4½	2.25
UV-201 and C-301	90	0	3.9
	90	—4½	2.1
UV-201-A and C-301-A	90	0	6.0
	90	—4½	2.0
Western Electric 216-A	This tube is licensed for use only in the Western Electric power amplifier, which contains a 9-volt "C" battery. Its plate current is about 7.5 milli-amperes at 125 volts of "B" battery and 9-volt grid bias.		

It will be seen that the use of a "C" battery makes striking reductions in "B" battery current. With the 201-A tube, a 4½-volt "C" battery cuts the plate current to just one-third. By adding tubes to a set you multiply this result many times.

To take a fairly common instance, which places an extremely heavy drain on the "B" battery, consider a six-tube receiver, using three stages of radio frequency amplification, detector, and two stages of audio frequency. The tubes, UV-201-A throughout. Plate voltage of 90 on the amplifiers and 45 volts on the detector. No "C" battery. Zero grid potential on all the amplifiers.

Each of the five amplifier tubes draws 6 milli-amperes from the "B" battery, and the detector takes 2 milli-amperes, so that the six tubes drain 32 milli-amperes from the "B" battery.

To Reduce Plate Current

In a set such as this there are two ways of reducing the excessive plate current without sacrificing volume, distance or quality. It will usually be found that 45 volts on the radio frequency amplifier tubes will be just as effective as 90, while the current will be cut to one-quarter of its former value in these tubes. On the audio frequency amplifier tubes the voltage should not be changed, but the use of a 4½-volt "C" battery will cut the "B" battery current to one-third of its former value. The "B" battery will then last about three times as long.

Sometimes the user of such a multi-tube set has recently changed from a receiver using a detector tube alone, and wonders why his "B" batteries do not last as long as they used to. The reason is, of course, that he is giving them much more work to do.

Another article on "B" battery operation will appear next week.

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More Locations Made at Richland

The Richland area is being given a good play, as the week ends. Many companies having made locations, started derricks and planned to drill near the Brown well which is yet flowing around 250 barrels daily. Among the companies joining in the activity are the Godley Oil Company and Max Gutman and others.

Westminster Team To Play Corsicana

The Westminster Wildcat basketball team left Mexia on the afternoon train for Corsicana where they will play the Corsicana professionals at the Y. M. C. A. there. The team is in good condition and Coach Willis is confident of defeating these old rivals of the Collegians tonight in the two games which are to be played.

HOME DRESSMAKING

By JEANNE ROLAND
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What Fashion Decrees for Little Folks

Observe the Clever Use of Ribbon

If there is anything that makes a little girl happier than all of the other little girls she knows, it is a dress trimmed with ribbon bows. Here the laws of simplicity are strictly followed, yet a little maid's heart is immensely pleased as well.

The prestige of printed crepe for frocks for big women and little ones is one of the undisputed facts of the fashion season. Here it is employed most effectively to make a straight-line dress for a small girl. There is a box plait at the front of the dress —which has the sleeves cut in one— and the sides are held in with gros grain ribbon whose ends are tied in generous bows. This arrangement gives to the little dress two important style notes—the flat front and the fullness which Paris gradually is introducting at the sides of all of her latest models.

At the neck the dress is cut down slightly, bound with plain silk and caught together with another ribbon bow. The diagrams show how the hem is turned at the lower edge of the dress. Fig. I illustrates the first turning, a gauge being used to see that the width is kept even. This gauge can be made from a piece of stiff paper or a bit of cardboard. Notch the gauge to indicate the width of the hem and every few inches, measure the hem to see that it is not wider or narrower than the gauge. About ⅜ of an inch from the edge of the hem run a basting thread, and this may be used as a guide when turning under the edge for hemming.

In the second diagram, the hem is

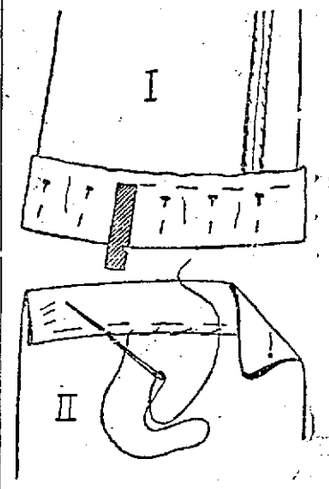

Fig. I—Marking width of hem.
Fig. II—Blind hemming.

turned under and basted and ready for the hemming, which is done with invisible stitches. Gather up only two or three threads at a time, then pass the point of the needle through the edge of the hem. It is well to take a back stitch through the hem only, every few inches or so apart, to make the hem more secure. Have the silk used for the hemming as near the color of the material as possible. This helps to reduce the visibility of the stitches.

$50,000 JEWELRY HAUL MADE BY BANDITS

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Feb. 15.—Three bandits forced Irvin Lebergen, salesman for the Phillips Present Jewelry Company, Rochester, N. Y., to lie face downward while they rifled his clothes of between $50,000 and $60,000 in diamonds near here last night, Lebergen told police.

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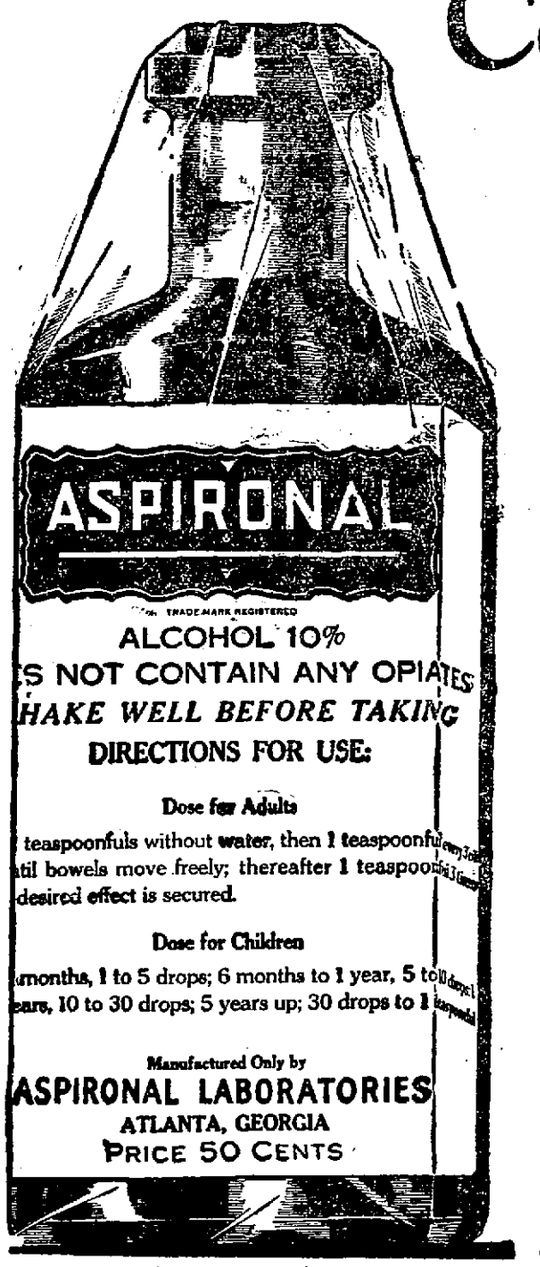
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The New Coat for Spring

For Sports or General Wear

Swagger, indeed, is the design of the new coats for Spring. The materials are the large plaids and stripes which never fail to offer some new and attractive arrangement.

There is nothing like a good-looking coat of soft, warm material for wear when the fur garments are doffed in the Spring. This model has straight lines and can be easily reproduced. It calls for 3½ yards of material 54 inches wide and one has only to go to the shops and ask for the new coatings to understand how difficult it is to recommend any particular fabric or design.

If the coat is long—and it should be—four yards of silk or satin, 36 inches long will be required for the lining. To make the lining, following the exact method for the cutting, fitting, stitching, clipping and pressing used for the development of the coat itself, except that the center front of the lining is cut only to about one or two inches beyond the facing and an extra inch allowed for turning in. The seams of the lining are stitched to the *plain seams*. Be sure to lay a plait in the shoulder of the lining and another in the center of the back, to give extra ease to the wear of the garment.

Baste the lining to the shoulder, but leave the shoulder seam of the lining open. Baste the neck and armhole of the lining and the coat smoothly together. Catch-stitch the underarm seams of the lining to the underarm seams of the coat. Turn under the front edges of the lining and baste over the front facings, then baste the lining about the neck so that it covers the seam of the collar. Turn under the back of the shoulder seam and bring it over the front, baste and stitch.

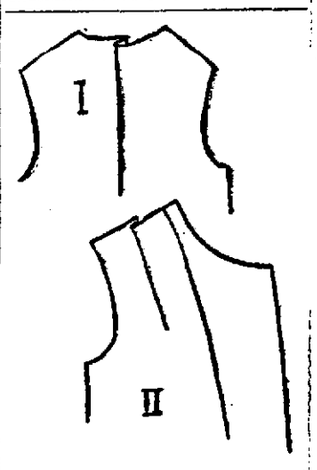

Fig. I.—Plait in center back of lining.
Fig. II.—Plait in shoulder of lining.

Monkey Wrench Too Much For Rattler

CISCO, Texas, Feb. 15.—A battle in a garage here between spectators and a large rattlesnake came near ending in complete victory for the reptile.

After a raid on a snake den several of the largest serpents were brought to town and placed on exhibition in the garage. A small boy took one of the snakes from the box and placed it on the floor to show how harmless it was when chilled.

At the same time the sun came out and when the warm rays struck the snake it immediately became active. It struck at the lad and missed. A lively battle ensued. All rounds went to the rattler until a mechanic made a lucky throw with a monkey wrench and the snake took the count.

Internal Collector Gives Some Advice

Since Congress has under consideration the revision of the present income tax law, there has been a perceptible lull in the filing of returns, hoping to get some relief under the new bill.

It is impossible to state, at this time, what the new bill will contain or what time the same will be effective. I would suggest that all taxpayers file their returns at the earliset possible date and avoid congestions during the last few days prior to March 15th, the last date for filing.

No extensions will be granted concerning the filing of returns unless it can be shown by the taxpayer that absence or sickness is the cause.

If the law is retroactive, Collectors' Offices will make all adjustments necessary in the accounts and will relieve taxpayers from filing amended returns and claims.

JAMES W. BASS,
Collector.

Mr. and Mrs. Y. B. Earley of Dallas are the delightful guests of Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Sneed of this city.

Russian Rotary Rig Being Sent To Big Lake Test

BIG LAKE, Texas, Feb. 15.—An extra heavy type Russian rotary rig will be used by the Big Lake Oil Company in drilling one of their locations in the proven area. The rig according J. D. Wade of the Wade Drilling company who will do the work, is now enroute from Corsicana and should be ready to spud in within the next two weeks.

Made of the heaviest material and equipped with all the latest labor saving devices, using 6 inch drill pipe, two large boilers and a 116 foot derrick the work of the rotary will be watched with interest as many believe the formations are too hard for this type of well manchinery although a lighter type rotary was used in the Pioneer field.

Should it be successful, a number of other machines will in all probability be moved to this field as the rotary is considerably faster and eliminates the use of much casing. It is the intention of the company to drill to the pay and complete the completion of the well with standard tools.

The government will, it is believed, watch the drilling of this well with interest as the rotary can core the large potash deposits that have been encountered in all wells drilled in this territory. Many believe these potash beds which apparently underlay a vast amount of this country, will some day be as valuable as the oil.

It is reported that the Mid-Kansas will today spud in their No. 1 well south of the town of Rankin. This company has contracted to drill four wells in the Big Lake area.

Cinha has abolished the old law under which a man could divorce his wife for talkativeness.

Many of Robert Louis Stevenson's little verses for children were written when he was confined to bed by illness.

In a recent murder trial in Montreal the jury was sworn in, the case presented, and a verdict of not guilty returned, all within a period of ten minutes.

Judge G. A. Walters was in Groesbeck Thursday.

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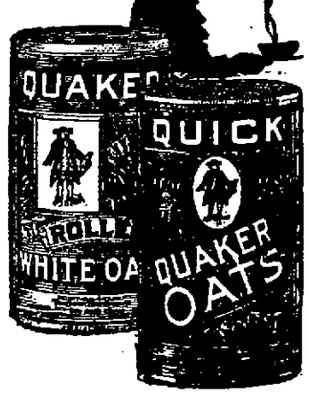

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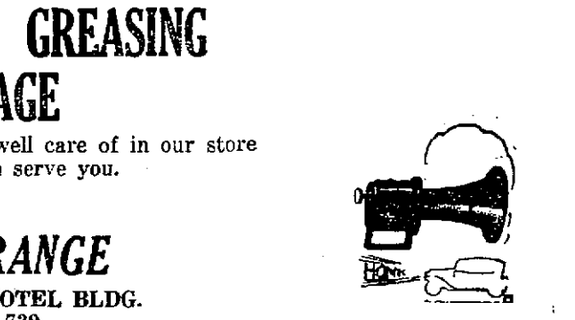

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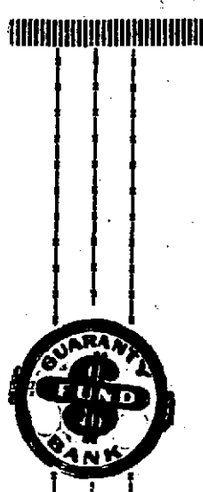

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Mayor Discusses Civic Questions

Mayor Ernest Watson today issued the following statement to the votters of this municipality:

It becames my duty as your mayor and in keeping with my promises to you that if elected, to reduce expenses where possible if not inconsistent with good business judgment

Therefore I am vetoing an ordanance this day passed by your commissioners raising the salary of City Marshal from $150 per month to $200.

To do less I would feel unworthy to fill the office you have entrusted to me.

Immediately following the passage of this ordinance by your commissioners last Saturday night, I was presented with the resignation of Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Dill to take effect instanter, thereby leaving your city unprotected by city officers Saturday night much to my regret.

There was nothing left for me to do as I was advised by the commissioners that it was not in my power to appoint a man.

Yet the ordinances provides that the mayor shall see that all laws are enforced and before any peace officer of the city has a right to carry arms he must receive a commission signed by the mayor and countersigned by the secretary.

Your city is suffering for the want of co-operation between your mayor and commissioners.

Your mayor has never received any support on any suggestion relating to economy in government. I have reached the end of the rope. There is nothing left for me to do.

So I am making this proposition to the commissioners that they write out their resignation to match mine, same to take effect as soon as our successors can be elected or if they prefer to make the race again, select a man to run with them for mayor and I will let the people select two men who are in harmony with my views of economy in government and lower taxes.

Thereby giving the people a chance to express their views on our policies. I have tried to give you the very best service of which I am capable, at no time have I been swayed by partisanship to influence me in any appointment.

I have tried to steer clear of any entanglements in order that the city might get the best possible service for their money. I have never lost sight of the fact that this government belongs to the people, not a few but all.

I had hoped that my services might prove of some worth to the people and in later years I could justly point with pride to improvements I helped to make.

I do not wish to impugn the motives of my co-laborers, they can be just as honest as I am, yet the result is the same. So long as we stand divided this city will not receive the benefits you have a right to expect.

In this connection I am taking this opportunity to publicly express my appreciation for the splendid service rendered your city by the retiring officers.

Mr. Dill was doing night service which prevented me from seeing as much of him as I did of Mr. Kennedy who was the day man. My investigation of their records were thorough and that no charges could be sustained against either that would reflect or bring reproach upon your city.

I may be old fashioned in my ideas and perhaps have not kept abreast of the times, but I have it instilled in me to reward those who have been faithful in service and deserve a promotion on merit

Therefore I gave my endorsement to Mr. Kennedy who is a gentleman, modest and reserved yet fearless in the discharge of his duties. His application was before me at $150 per month.

Now in order that there shall not be any misunderstanding relative to Mr. Mace and myself I desire to state that I am his friend and he is mine He is a gentleman of the highest type and his reputation as a peace officer extends far and wide.

That does not enter into this controversy, the question is shall we raise the salary from $150 to $200 per month.

I am representing the people with the promise that I would see after their business with the same degree of care that I would give to my own and the safety of the public and the volume of business does not justify the added expense.

E. WATSON.

MORE CLOTHES PEP FOR DAD AND GRANDPA

By "THE STROLLER"

(Written for the United Press)

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—(United Press.)—So far as "old men's clothes" are concerned, there doesn't seem to be "such animal" any more. The familiar uniform of the middle aged and aged man—plain, severe and generally black or blue serge—has been displaced by the heterogeneous array which the more youthful men are adopting. Of course, the sensible men are not runnnig to such extremes as are their youthful progeny, but all the same, there is a distinct swing toward a little more "pep" in dressing up dad and grandad.

And while the oldsters have been assimilating a few points from the youngsters, the younger element has been adapting some of the comfortable features that formerly were found almost exclusively in garments made for elderly men. The college type of clothes you see worn has stolen the looseness, the easy fit, the widely spaced buttons, the wide, straight hanging trousers, directly from the clothes worn by men whose college days have vanished into the mist of the years. Of course, the styles are vastly different, but the youth of today realzies that in wearing a suit that is not a straight jacket, a sense of calm well-being is induced.

Of course, professional men—lawyers, doctors, barristers, and the like—are adhering more or less to their professional severity in the choice of their dress. But the business man is using care in the selection of his suit and overcoat. He is, without any sense of being floppish, choosing those garments which set off his "good points." It has taken a long time to bring the male contingent to the realization that clothes are something more than protection from the weather, but the man who would be a success in almost every line of endeavor must realize that there is perhaps a grain of truth in the old saw that "clothes make the man."

Chief Declares War On Yeggs

FORT WORTH, Texas, Feb. 15.—"Shoot first and then investigate."

Fort Worth police had these orders straight from Chief Lee Coppers today to stop a band of yeggs who have been cracking safes in nearby towns and are reported heading for Fort Worth.

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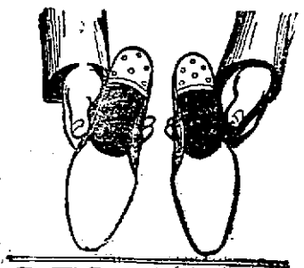

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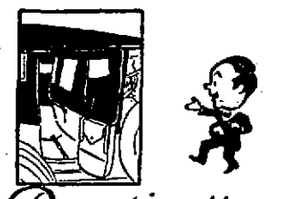

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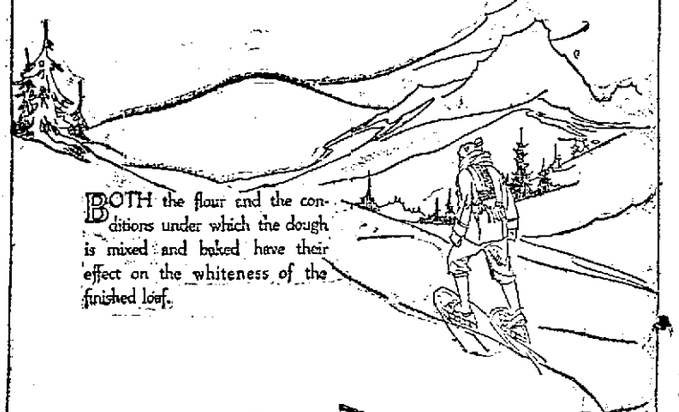

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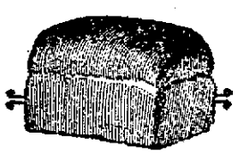

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Hardy Eubanks Reports Important Meeting of Bankers Held at Waco

Hardy Eubanks, Vice President of the Farmers State Bank of this city, attended the meeting of the Fourth District Bankers held Wednesday in Waco. He was accompanied by Mrs. Eubanks and also by Lawrence Hearne.

Mr. Eubanks states that they enjoyed the session and the festivities and considered the work of the meeting of far reaching consequence. Around 200 bankers attended.

Pat E. Hooks of Itasca, President of the First National Bank of that city, president of the organization was unanimously re-elected to that postion.

L. J. Davis, vice president of the Citizens' State bank of Marlin, was elected to the office of secretary.

Just before the meeting closed, the bankers went on record as opposing the chartering of further banks in the state unless to the interest of the community in which it would be located. The resolution was as follows:

"Realizing that the present large increase in banking deposits has caused a considerable number of applications to be made to the comptroller of the currency of the United States, and to the commissioner of banking at Austin, in localities where there already exist ample banking facilities;

"And, whereas, the average deposits and net earnings on invested capital in said localities are not excessive and if taken into consideration would not justify the granting of further charters for bank institutions, and to increase banking competition would have a tendency to cause inflation of credits, unsound banking, and eventually bring about further bank failures; therefore, be it

"Resolved, That we respectfully urge and recommend to the comptroller of the currency of the United States, and to the commissioner of banking at Austin, Texas, in the interests of sound and safe banking that no further charters be granted because of temporary conditions or inflation of deposits, and that charters be granted only when, in their wise judgement, the needs of the community can be best served by additional banking facilities, and that in arriving at their decisions they take in consideration the average net earnings to the stockholders over a period of five or ten years and the average deposits in said institutions for the same period of time."

At the close of the meeting, the bankers adjourned to partake of a luncheon in the ball room of the hotel.

Moran Lakcs Brains to Whip Benny

By HENRY L. FARRELL
(United Press Sports Editor)

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—When it was taken into consideration how many times Charley White had been stopped and when the caliber of the fighters who did it were recalled, it was not unnatural that Pal Moran, the New Orleans lightweight, should have been rated as the fighter next to Benny Leonard whe he knocked out the veteran Chicago lightweight.

Perhaps it is still a fact that Moran is the outstanding contender for the crown of Benny Leonard, but if he is the best man in the class next to the champion, Leornard is in no more immediate danger of being ejected from his throne room than Jack Dempsey is.

Strong as he is at 135 pounds, cool as he is under fire and punching as he can with his right hand, Moran showed in his recent fight with Johnny Dundee that he has yet to learn how to beat a clever fighter with a brain.

Moran was outwitted by Dundee. Against the feeble punches that Dundee is known to be, Moran, if he had enough mental agility, should have torn into Dundee with a willingness to take a tantalizing left hand for the chance to counter with his right hand.

Moran didn't do that, however. His mental sluggishness permitted Dundee to fight just the kind of a fight that Dundee wanted to fight. It's hard to beat a brainy, experienced fighter who is allowed to fight his own kind of a battle.

If Moran fought his real fight against Dundee, if he was not sick, as he seemed to be, he has no chance to beat Benny Leonard. For several years at least Leonard is not to be beaten by an opponent who permits the champion to fight his own way. To make Leonard fight any other way is something for a very brainy fighter to accomplish and Moran does not seem to qualify as a brainy fighter.

Granting that Moran did make a very creditable showing against the champion a year or more ago and with a willingness to admit that Moran may have improved more in the interim than Leonard has, yet it would not be reasonable to contend that Moran has any advantage over Leonard by reason of their first meeting. On the other hand, it might be argued with a lot of sound logic behind the argument that Leonard was the one who would come out of the fight with the advantage that he might have and must have learned a lot more about Moran in that fight than Moran learned about Leonard.

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The E. L. Smith's Cerf No. 2 Powell is drilling around 1950 feet. It is planned to make this a deep test but to drill so that any shallow production reached may be developed later. According to the law now governing the fields, no shallow test can be made within 50 feet of a deep test.

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Jess McLendon is on the sick list today.

Teacher as Referee in Children's Bout.

Miss Elsa Suess

Miss Elsa Suess, principal of the Plaistow School, at Plaistow, N. H., warned the pupils of her school that the next time she caught any of them fighting she would take them into her office and make them fight it out fairly. When she found Robert Kelley, 12, and Wilfred Le Febre, 11, in a fight she took them into her private office and staged a 15-round bout, which she personally refereed. Now the town is up in arms and demanding an investigation. Wilfred is said to have licked his Irish opponent.

A dispute in a separation suit over whether a man should pay his wife 35 or 40 shillings a week was settled in an English court by the lawyers tossing a coin. The woman's lawyer called "heads" and won.

Frances E. Willard, American temperance woman, wrote books and founded the Temperance Publishing Association.

Man Bitten By Mad Horse Sent To Pasteur Institute At Austin For Treatment

James Royall, a man of about 50 years of age, living on the J. W. Hughes lease in the Fishpond district, was bitten Wednesday morning by a mad horse. The horse was one which Mr. Royall's children rode every morning to school. One of the children went out to catch the animal about eight o'clock and discovered that he was bloody and bruised about the knees where he had evidently bitten himself.

He reported the fact to his father who went immediately to investigate. While Mr. Royall was standing looking at the injuries, the horse became seized with a paroxysm, biting Mr. Royall severely upon the right arm. An oil man who was near at the time immediately killed the horse and Mr. Royall came to town Thursday and made arrangements with commissioners court at Groesbeck through the Justice of the Peace court here to get an appropriation in order to go to Austin for treatment. The commissioners at once made the appropriation and Mr. Royall left for Austin Thursday afternoon.

The horse is said to have been bitten some time ago by a mad dog which ran at large through the community biting several other dogs also. All of the animals and the dog which caused the trouble have since died.

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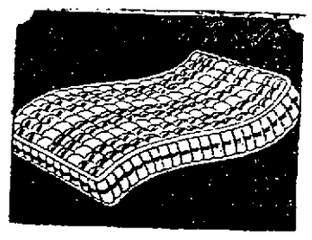

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Daily Crude Production Estimated By Institute

The American Petroleum Institute estimates that the daily average gross crude oil production in the United States for the week ended February 2 was 1,917,600 barrels, as compared with 1,894,900 barrels for the preceding week, an increase of 22,700 barrels. The daily average production east of the Rocky Mountains was 1,232,950 barrels, as compared with 1,203,150 barrels, an increase of 29,800 barrels. California production was 684,650 barrels, as compared with 691,750 barrels, a decrease of 7,100 barrels. The following are estimates of daily average gross production for the week ended February 2, January 26, 1924, and February 3, 1923:

DAIL AVERAGE PRODUCTION
(Figures in barrels)

	Feb. 2, '24	Jan. 26, '24	Dif.	Feb. 3, '23
Oklahoma	408,450	382,650	25,800	403,600
Kansas	71,500	71,450	50	81,250
North Texas	63,850	62,600	1,250	57,550
Central Texas	185,000	182,250	2,750	125,650
North Louisiana	54,000	53,200	800	74,300
Arkansas	113,200	113,650	450	110,950
Gulf Coast	86,600	87,250	650	113,750
Eastern	105,000	107,000	2,000	109,000
Wyoming and Montana	145,350	143,100	2,250	121,150
California	684,650	691,750	7,100	550,000
Total	1,917,600	1,894,900	22,700	1,747,200

The estimated daily average gross production of the Mid-Continent field, including Oklahoma, Kansas, North Texas, Central Texas, North Louisiana and Arkansas, for the week ended February 2 was 896,000 barrels as compared with 865,800 barrels for the preceding week, an increase of 30,200 barrels. The Mid-Continent production, excluding Smackover, Arkansas, heavy oil, was 825,500 barrels, against 793,650 barrels, an increase of 31,850 barrels.

The estimated daily average gross production of the Gulf Coast field was 86,600 barrels, as compared with 87,250 barrels for the preceding week, a decrease of 650 barrels.

The combined daily gross pruodction of the Southwest field was 982,600 barrels, as compared with 953,050 barrels for the preceding week, an increase of 29,550 barrels.

Oklahoma-Kansas shows a daily average gross production of 479,950 barrels, an increase of 25,850 barrels; North Texas shows an increase of 1,250 barrels; Central Texas an increase of 2,750 barrels; North Louisiana an increase of 800 barrels; and Arkansas a decrease of 450 barrels.

The estimated daily average gross production of the Wyoming and Montana field was 145,350 barrels as compared with 143,100 barrels for the preceding week, an increase of 2,250 barrels. Salt Creek is reported at 115,000 barrels against 113,000 barrels.

The estimated daily average gross production for the various pools for which information is available follows:

OKLAHOMA-KANSAS

	Feb. 2	Jan. 26.
Oklahoma—		
Cushing	24,100	24,200
Yale	7,100	7,100
Jennings	3,250	3,300
Garber	5,400	5,450
Billings	650	600
Tonkawa	38,700	40,000
Blackwell	2,150	2,150
North Okmulgee	16,100	16,200
Burbank (Osage Co.)	99,200	86,000
Osage (outside Burbank)	33,300	32,000
Healdton	17,000	17,000
Hewitt	31,500	21,000
Duncan	8,900	8,850
Lyons - Quinn	4,200	4,200
Bristow	45,300	45,300
Wewoka	9,600	9,300
All others	62,000	60,000
Total, Oklahoma	408,450	382,650
Kansas—		
El Dorado-Towanda	15,600	15,500
Augusta-Fox Bush	9,150	9,400
Peabody - Elbing	7,700	7,800
Florence - Covert	4,050	4,000
All others	35,000	34,750
Total, Kansas	71,500	71,450
Total, Oklahoma-Kansas	479,950	454,100

NORTH AND CENTRAL TEXAS

North Texas—		
Burkburnett	20,750	21,400
Electra	19,300	19,000
Iowa Park and K-M-A	2,300	2,450
Petrolia	350	350
Archer County	20,950	18,250
All others	200	250
Total, North Texas	63,850	62,600
Central Texas—		
Stephens County	20,300	20,250
Ranger (Eastland)	7,150	7,250
Desdemona	4,350	4,600
Young County	4,300	4,200
Mexia	34,250	34,350
Currie	3,650	3,700
Corsicana - Powell	95,900	92,000
Corsicana, heavy	650	650
Strawn	1,800	1,800
Moran	1,850	1,900
All others	10,500	11,550
Total, Central Texas	185,000	182,250
Total, North and Central Texas	248,850	244,850

Untold Oil Wealth Under Semi-Arid Land Of Foothills

By M. D. TRACY
(United Press Staff Correspondent)
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SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 15 (United Press.)—Forty-three and one-half square miles—27,840 acres—make up that portion of "Naval Reserve No. 1" which the government leased to E. L. Doheny's Pan-American Oil Company and which, with Teapot Dome, is the center of the present oil lease investigation in Washington.

It lies in the Elk Hills region of Kern county, beginning about 25 miles west of Bakersfield, oil center of the San Joaquin valley, California.

The land itself, semi-arid and parched in summer beneath a sun which sends temperatures up close to 120 degrees at times, has been peopled in the past with homesteaders, dry farmers and small stock raisers, attempting to wrest from the earth a rather meager living.

It is in the foothills of the coast range mountains—the Elk Hills leading up to the loftier peaks of the Santa Barbara's, which, in turn, break abruptly into the sea less than 100 miles westward.

Great Oil Pools

Beneath this rather forbidding land is believed to stand pools of oil of untold extent. To the south, east and to the north lies the Lost Hills, the Coalinga, Taft, Santa Maria, McKittrick and other oil fields which have their stories of making millionaires overnight and which are not yet exhausted. Across the Santa Barbara and a little to the southward are the Ventura and Summerland fields, where oil is pumped from the opposite side of the coast range mountains.

Geologists have declared Naval Reserve No. 1 probably one of the richest of the California fields.

Whoever may be found to own this oil now, geologists believe that it originally belonged to Adam and Eve.

It was formed through the ages, by the processes through which nature makes its coal, its oil and many of the other riches of the earth. As the mountains rose from the sea it seeped and trickles from the higher levels into the pools of the foothills and there awaited the coming of man.

Naval Reserve No. 1 was created at the height of the San Joaquin Valley oil boom, while William Howard Taft was President. Under the so-called "Taft Withdrawal Order," which created the reserve, it was withdrawn from entry as public land and turned over to the navy to lie there as America's reserve supply of oil for her fighting ships when a time of emergency might arise.

Only Three Wells

Until leased to the Doheny interests, this field was untouched. Then operations on it were started in what oil men consider only a half-hearted fashion. But three wells have been sunk on the vast lease to date. There are producing approximately 3,000 barrels each per day. Only about a dozen men are employed on the lease, although on the same company's adjoining property about 200 are at work.

This is generally attributed not so much to a desire to let the lease lie idle, as to a method of meeting market conditions. On the Pan-American Company's adjoining leases numerous wells have been driven down to within a short distance of the oil bearing sand and then closed. When market conditions become more favorable these wells can be quickly brought into production. It is belief here that the Pan-American company planned to extend this mode of operation to the naval reserve field.

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German Ambassador's Recall Imminent.

Dr. Otto Wiedfeldt

The bitter resentment felt in America by the refusal of the German Embassy in Washington to half-staff its flag out of respect to the memory of Woodrow Wilson is likely to lead to the recall of Dr. Otto Weidfeldt, German Ambassador to the United States.

The total number of Chinese residents abroad was estimated in 1922 at more than 8,000,000. There are 90,000 in Cuba, more than in any other country outside of Asia.

Poisoning cotton plants in the fight against the boll weevil has caused considerable loss of bees in the cotton belt and reduced the amount of honey ordinarily produced in that section.

The lower house of the next New Jersey legislature will include four women members, two republicans and two democrats.

PAINS IN BACK

Arkansas Lady Says Mother Gave Her Cardui and She Had No More Trouble of This Kind.

Lamar, Ark.—Mrs. Edith Seeman, here, recently made the following statement describing her experience in the use of Cardui:

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LYNCH DAVIDSON TO BROADCAST ADDRESS

HOUSTON, Texas, Feb. 15.—Lynch Davidson, former Lieutenant Governor, will avail himself of the latest medium of political campaigning by broadcasting a speech in his candidacy for Governor through Fort Worth radio station WBAP Saturday afternoon, Feb. 16, at 2 o'clock, at the same time speaking to an audience at the First Methodist Church of Fort Worth. It was announced on Mr. Davidson's return home today.

The opening speech at Groesbeck last Saturday set the campaign in operation full steam, Mr. Davidson said. The campaign organization is being perfected, and a statewide speaking tour is being arranged to begin within the next few days.

J. Sandford Smith received a letter today from Jack Womack who is in a sanitarium at Fort Worth, in which he states he is now feeling fine and has reduced ten pounds.

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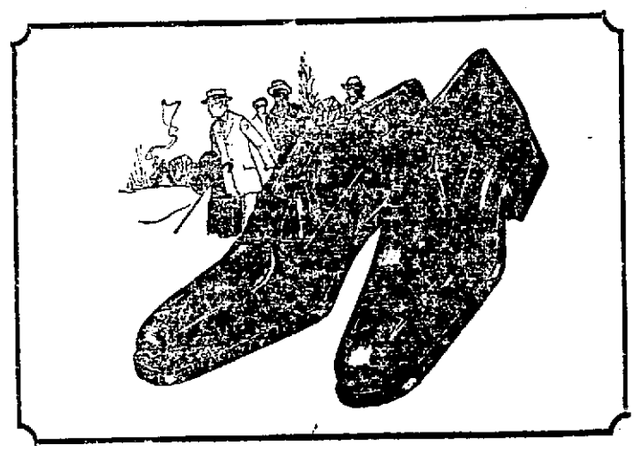

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ARTICLE No. 13

The hands analyzed in this article are not unusually difficult but represent ordinary problems of bidding that come up constantly. The very fact that they are ordinary, however, makes their study interesting and instructive for the average player. In all of the hands, Z is the dealer, Y his partner and A-B his opponents, as:

: Y :
: A B :
: Z :

Hand No. 1

Score: A-B, game and no score; Y-Z, game and 20. Z bids one no-trump and A passes. What should Y now bid with the following hand?

Hearts — 8, 2
Clubs — 5, 4, 3
Diamonds — 9, 7, 6
Spades — J, 10, 7, 4, 3

This is one of the closest hands of the series. The problem is: Should Y bid two spades or pass? The fact that Y-Z are twenty on the score is the determining factor. At that score Y should certainly over-bid Z's no-trump.

Hand No. 2

Score: A-B, game and 22; Y-Z, 12. Z bids one spade and A bids two hearts. What should Y now bid with the following hand?

Hearts — K, Q, 7, 4
Clubs — 9, 8, 4
Diamonds — A, J, 10, 3, 2
Spades — 7

The problem in this hand is: Should Y bid two no-trump or three diamonds? Here again the score is the determining factor. Y should certainly bid three diamonds.

Hand No. 3

Score: A-B, 0; Y-Z, game and 14. What should Z as dealer bid with the following hand?

Hearts — Q, 5
Clubs — Q, J, 9, 8, 6, 5, 3, 2
Diamonds — None
Spades — A, K, 5

The problem in this hand is: Should Z, as dealer, make a shut-out bid of five clubs or bid one club, or pass with the firm intention of bidding the clubs on the second round? The better bid seems a shut-out bid of five clubs.

Hand No. 4

No score. What should Z, as dealer, bid with the following hand?

Hearts — A, K, Q, J
Clubs — 6, 4
Diamonds — A, K, J, 7, 6, 4, 3
Spades — None

The problem in this hand is: Should Z, as dealer, show the heart or the diamond suit first? It seems better to bid one diamond first and then to bid the heart suit on the next round if the bidding should make such a course expedient.

Hand No. 5

Score: A-B, 24; Y-Z, game and 20. Z bids one no-trump, A bids two hearts, Y passes, and B bids two spades. What should Z now bid with the following hand?

Hearts — K, J, 10, 8, 5
Clubs — A, K, Q, 9
Diamonds — A, K, Q
Spades — 5

The problem in this hand is: Should Z bid two no-trump or three clubs? The latter bid seems to be the sounder. A two no-trump bid would be very risky and there is a good chance for game at clubs.

Hand No. 6

No score. Z passes, A bids one heart, Y bids two clubs and B passes. Z also passes, A doubles, Y and B pass. What should Z now bid with the following hand?

Hearts — 10, 9, 6, 4, 3
Clubs — None
Diamonds — K, 8, 7, 6, 3
Spades — A, 10, 5

The problem in this hand is: Should Z pass or take his partner out with two diamonds? The two diamond bid seems preferable. It cannot be any worse than the two club bid and may be a great deal better.

Hand No. 7

No score. Z bids one heart; A, one spade; Y, two hearts; and B passes. What should Z now bid with the following hand?

Hearts — A, Q, 7, 5, 2
Clubs — 10, 3
Diamonds — A, K, Q, 10, 8, 3
Spades — None

The problem in this hand is: Should Z pass or show his other suit by bidding three diamonds? It is very tempting to show the diamond suit but such a bid would be unsound. The fact that Y has helped his bid is the determining factor. Z should pass.

Hand No. 8

Score: 24 all, rubber game. Z bids one diamond. What should A now bid with the following hand?

Hearts — A, Q, 8, 7
Clubs — A, Q, 6, 2
Diamonds — 6
Spades — A, Q, 5, 3

There is really no problem in this hand as A should certainly double one diamond. It is a perfect example of a sound informatory double.

Hand No. 9

No score. What should Z, as dealer, bid with the following hand?

Hearts — K, J, 4
Clubs — A, K
Diamonds — Q, 9, 7, 6, 5, 4, 2
Spades — A

The problem in this hand is: Should Z bid one no-trump or one diamond? The only sound bid in this hand is one no-trump.

Hand No. 10

No score. Rubber game. Z bids one spade and A passes. What should Y bid with the following hand?

Hearts — A
Clubs — A, Q, 10, 6, 3
Diamonds — Q, 10, 9, 6, 5, 4
Spades — A

The problem in this hand is: Should Y pass one spade, bid one no-trump, or bid two diamonds? This is really one of the most difficult hands of the series. Personally, the writer would bid two diamonds. The hand is so unbalanced that it should certainly be played at a suit.

The foregoing analyses should be compared closely with your own bids and if there are any differences of opinion, you should try to figure out the reason. A close study and comparison of these hands will be a most valuable lesson.

Solution to Problem No. 6

Hearts — 3, 2
Clubs — 8
Diamonds — A, 10
Spades — None

Hearts — 6
Clubs — 9, 7
Diamonds — J, 7
Spades — None

: Y :
: A B :
: Z :

Hearts — K, 10, 8
Clubs — None
Diamonds — Q, 9
Spades — None

Hearts — J
Clubs — None
Diamonds — 8
Spades — J, 7, 6

Z is in the lead and is playing no-trump. How can Y-Z get every trick against any defense? Z should lead two rounds of spades on which A discards the seven of clubs and the six of hearts; Y discards the trey and deuce of hearts; and B, the 10 and 8 of hearts. On the third lead of spades A must discard the seven of diamonds. He cannot discard the nine of clubs for if he does, Y's eight of clubs will be good and therefore give Y-Z the rest of the tricks. He is, therefore, forced to discard the seven of diamonds. When A discards the seven of diamonds, Y discards the eight of clubs, and thus holds the ace and ten of diamonds. B is now up against the "squeeze." He knows that Y has two diamonds and that Z has the jack of hearts so that no matter what he discards, he loses a trick. If B discards the nine of diamonds Z will lead a diamond and Y will win the remaining tricks. If B discards the king of hearts, Z will lead the jack of hearts and Y will win the last trick with the ace of diamonds. In other words, both A and B are so forced by the discard that Z wins the remaining tricks. This forcing of discards is popularly called the "squeeze" and this problem is a perfect example of the so-called "double squeeze."

WHY BANKS?

LESSON IV

By J. H. PUELICHER, Chairman,
Committee on Public Education, American Bankers Association.

J. H. Puelicher

Formerly *the saver paid* to have his money kept in a safe place. Today *he is paid* interest by banks which keep his savings safe. Is this interest on money, saved and deposited in the bank, the only gain to the depositor from saving?

MONEY SAVED AND DEPOSITED IN BANK = funds for the banker to loan out on farm mortgages, land bank or other farm bonds; railroad, municipal or government bonds; or notes of farmers, merchants and manufacturers. Therefore

SAVING = assisting the farmer to raise crops; the railroads to run trains; the town, city, state or nation to build schools for the children of the depositor and his fellow citizens; or construct water works or other public enterprises.

Saving also equals helping the butcher, baker and grocer to do business so that food is brought within reach of the home; and the manufacturer to make shoes, clothing and the many things people need to live.

Every saver, therefore, is not only putting away money against a rainy day and earning interest on it meanwhile, but he is also making it possible for himself and others to have the luxuries, comforts and necessaries of life,—to enjoy all the advantages of a greater and better civilization. Thus through banks every saver gains a great deal more than merely interest on his money.

Officers Make Big Haul In Southeastern Limestone

A raid led by Sheriff Popejoy in the eastern part of the county on Wednesday against moonshiners, bootleggers and the like showed greater results than any heretofore accomplished in the county since the boom days in Mexia when the Rangers came. A drag net was formed by the sheriff and several of his deputies from other sections of the county and left the county capital before daybreak Wednesday and when they returned about nine o'clock Wednesday night they had found and destroyed three complete liquor outfits, including 3200 gallons of whiskey, mash fifteen gallons of corn whiskey, two 150 gallon boilers, 72 barrels along with other equipment and accessories.

The officers state that the first complete outfit was discovered on the banks of Dooley Creek about ten miles southeast of Groesbeck, where 13 barrels of mash, 150 gallon boiler and other equipment was taken. As they worked their way south they said they found several outfits and where mash and other equipment was found and destroyed.

Late Wednesday afternoon the biggest capture was made on the farm said to be owned by Berry Holmes near Oletha. This is the biggest still ever seen by local officers and was in active operation and pouring therefrom a large stream of pure corn and at the rate of about one-half gallon every twenty minutes. The still was made of copper and would hold 150 gallons of mash. At the still there was 32 barrels of mash, 4 empty barrels, two tents, and a well of water which appeared to have been dug for the special use in connection with the still. There was also found 15 gallons of corn whiskey.

It is understood that six arrests were made in connection with the stills, all whites and all are now in the county jail. The officers state that they feel like they have uncovered the biggest whiskey ring in this part of the state and say many other arrests will be made in connection with the raid within the next few days.

Officers participating in the raid were Sheriff Whit Popejoy, Deputy Sheriffs, Jack Bradley, of Groesbeck, John McBay of Mexia, Boss McKenzie of Thornton, Jim Goodwin of Oletha, John Stanford of Kosse, accompanied by District Attorney C. H. Machen and Assistant County Attorney Carl Cannon.

The fashionable dress for the women of Egypt 6000 years ago was a tight-fitting dress to the ankles, with tight sleeves.

Commissioner John Kennedy was a business visitor to Groesbeck Thursday.

Buy it in Mexia.

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ON THE WAY DOWN TOWN

By SLYBOOTS

I spent the past two days seeking an interview with someone who went to Austin Tuesday. I knew it wouldn't do any good to talk to Walter K. Boyd or Garland Adair, as I had already learned that they were speechless both at Austin and since returning. Luckily I ran into J. K. Hughes on the way down town today and what he told about the trip was a plenty. He said that Mr. Adair complained all the way to Austin that it was too lonesome for a young father in the Pullman and he persisted in keeping the lights on and the porter up all night long. Mr. Hughes said that he introduced Pat Patterson to a crowd in the Driskill hotel and that one of them, with more cheek than judgment asked Mr. Patterson what business he was engaged in. Mr. Patterson told his questioner that he used to be an organist. "And why did you give it up?" the interested one continued. To this Mr. Patterson replied that "The Monkey died." This broke up the party and the Mexia delegation walked towards the Capitol building. On the way to the handsome structure, some newsboys crossed the street yelling "Morning Statesman! Morning Statesman!" Judge Fountain Kirby was thus kept grinning and tipping his hat in recognition of the salutation all the way to the building. He asked Tom Walker, at the foot of the Capitol steps, "Did you hear that crowd calling me a Statesman? I didn't know anyone knew that I was coming to town."

Upon entering the august Senate Chamber which was crowded with delegations from all over the state, the Mexia bunch quietly took their seats. In the course of the day's sessions, on two different occasions the Mexia delegates all had the floor at once, that was when they entered and when they left.

The party repaired to the Driskill dining room for lunch. J. C. Huchingson led the way into the magnificent dining room. "Your hat, sir," said a uniformed attendant, extending his hand. "Yes it's my hat and I'm going to keep it too," Mr. Huchingson retaliated with some heat in his otherwise calm tones. He then turned to the Mexia crowd and said let's go to that chili joint we saw back up the avenue, "I knew there was some cheat about such a place as this." According to Mr. Hughes all the old boys from here thought Mr. Huchingson was right about it, so they went and ordered "same here" at the joint in question. That is, all but Mr. Hughes and Rev. E. H. Hudson, who said they were not going anywhere else to be held up but that they would stay right where they were.

Jim Prickett left the party a little afternoon to drive through the country. He said that he reached Williamson county just behind a heavy rain and so hired a farmer to go with him through the county to show him the way. "Look here," exclaimed the perplexed Jim, as he drove his car into his twenthieth puddle, "I thought you knew where all the bad places were in this road." "Well," replied the native, "We're finding them, aint we?"

Mr. Hughes at this juncture stated that he forgot to tell about Ben Stollenwerck. Ben had been so busy getting the bunch ready, that he hadn't had his shoes shined in over a month. The Pullman porter polished them a nice glossy stare on the way down to Austin and upon arrival there, Ben was delayed over an hour in reaching the caucus held at the hotel. He couldn't find his shoes, he said. The fact was he didn't recognize them covered with three-in-one.

By this time, we arrived at the Hughes building and I politely asked Mr. Hughes if that was all. He said well to be frank about the matter, I had just as well lay all the cards on the table.

"Shoot," I said, grabbing my ever-ready and filling it with lead.

He then said: "We came very near losing Mr. Boyd."

"How's that," I asked interestedly and with grave concern.

"Well, you know it was Mr. Boyd's first trip to Austin and he did not know where the Capitol was. He got out of bed early upon arrival in the city and thinking to acquaint himself more fully before the rest of the party aroused from their sleep, he got on a street car to ride to the Capitol building. He didn't want anyone to know he had lived all these years in Texas without visiting the center of government. So he did not ask where the Capitol building was. He rode and rode and rode until some tall and imposing buildings came in sight and got off when the entrance was reached. He stepped boldly up the steps and having heard that the Governor's office was to the right on entering, he went right into the room and asked to see Governor Neff."

"Where do you think you are?" the polite attendant asked.

"I'm in the Capitol," Mr. Boyd answered.

"I beg your pardon sir, but this is the State Asylum for the Insane," he was then told.

"Anyway, Austin knew we were there," said Mr. Hughes in parting.

Of the delegations present, Houston and Mexia created by far the best impression, Houston because of her past and Mexia because of her future.

I'm sorry I didn't go.

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Called meeting tonight for work in examinations. Stated meeting tomorrow night. Visitors always welcome.

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The American men and women must guard constantly against kidney trouble because we often eat too much rich food. Our blood is filled with acids which the kidneys strive to filter out; they weaken from overwork, become sluggish, the eliminative tissues clog and the result is kidney trouble, bladder weakness and a general decline in health.

When your kidneys feel like lumps of lead; your back hurts or the urine is cloudy; full of sediment, or you are obliged to seek relief two or three times during the night; if you suffer with sick headache, or dizzy, nervous spells, acid stomach, or if you have rheumatism when the weather is bad, begin drinking lots of water and get from your pharmacist about four ounces of Jad Salts. Take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys may then act fine.

This famous salts is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for years to help flush and stimulate clogged kidneys, to neutralize the acids in the system so they no longer are a source of irritation, thus often relieving bladder disorders.

Jad Salts is inexpensive; cannot injure makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink and belongs in every home, because nobody can make a mistake by having a good kidney flushing any time. By all means have your physician examine your kidneys at least twice a year. —(Adv.)

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Misses Zephie Anglin, Ruby Bates and Blanche Boyd of Groesbeck were in Mexia Wednesday.

Buy it in Mexia.

Car Burns on Road To Pt. Enterprise

A big six Studebaker car belonging to Isaac Eberstein caught fire Wednesday night about 9 o'clock on the Point Enterprise road two miles from Mexia. It is stated that all of the upholstry and the top was completely destroyed though the tires and the engine were unhurt. It is not known just how the car caught but it is thought that defective wiring was the cause of the fire.

The automobile was covered by insurance.

Another Advance Expected In Oil

Fair weather this week has stimulated activity and optimism in this section.

The production at Powell shows a gain, it is understood from records of the week.

At Mexia the production still ranges around 40,000 barrels daily.

An advance of 15 cents per barrel is expected to be posted in the district soon, according to oil men who keep an eye on crude petroleum prices.

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The Day's Opportunities As Told In The Classified Ads

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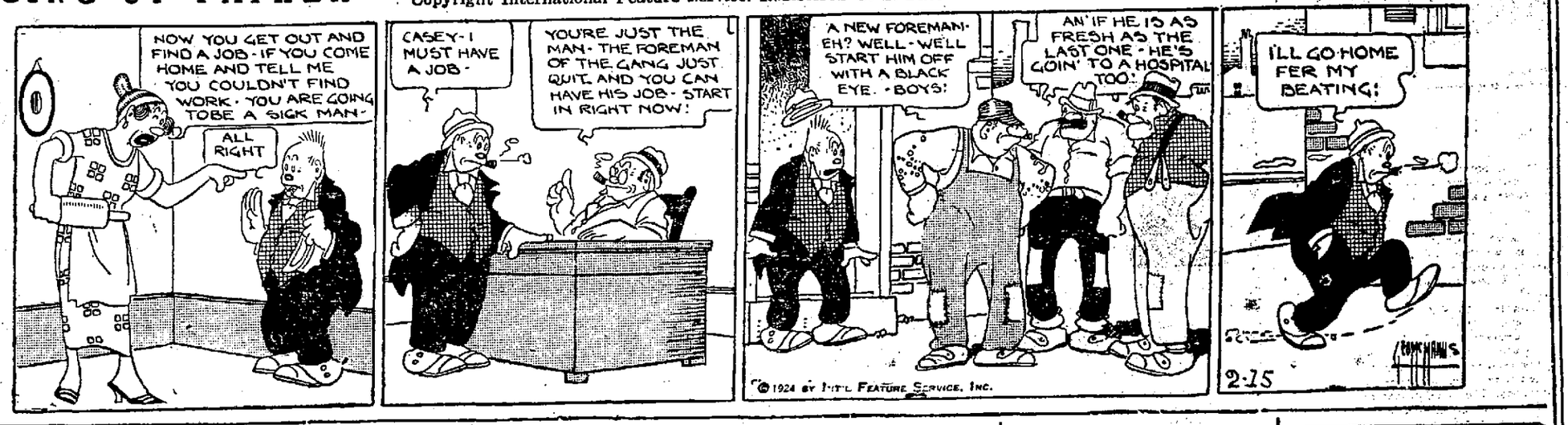
By George McManus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AN INTELLIGENT PERSON, either sex, may earn $100 to $200 monthly corresponding for newspapers; $15 to $25 weekly in spare time; experience unnecessary; no canvassing; subjects suggested. Send for particulars. National Press Bureau, Buffalo, N. Y. 7A3

LOST AND FOUND—D.

LOST—Bunch of Keys, 2 big brass keys and 3 Yale keys. Please return to Wortham, Texas, care Gulf Pipe Line Co., or bring to News Office. Will pay reward. One key No. 84. 14D3

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WANT TO BUY—J. K. Hughes Developing Company, E. L. Smith Oil Company, Mexia Heart of Pool Royalty Company, Powell Five Hundred. Jesse McLendon, room 1 McLendon building, Mexia, Texas. 18E30

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FOR SALE—Ford roadster, almost new. Phone 283. T. E. Day. 13J4

FOR SALE—Nice Jersey cow with young calf. Ring 384 or 387. 14J4

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FOR SALE—1923 Ford roadster, 20 barrel galvanized water tank, and miscellaneous lumber suitable for houses, barns or sheds. See us at once as we are closing out these items immediately. Phoenix Iron Works Co., Sinclair Tank Farm or 303 N. Bonham street, between 5:00 and 7:00 p.m. 15J2

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Spirits, Page Mr. Diogenes

ITALY, Texas, Feb. 15.—Diogenes is wanted in this little Texas town.

A local physician has received a letter from a man who says that several years ago he robbed a jewelry store here and wants to make recompensation.

The man wants to know who he robbed and what amount will cover the loss. The doctor has gathered the information and is looking for the fabled old gent with the lantern to supply the man's name and address.

NOTICE.

We have sold the business known as The Bon Ton Bakery, to Propp Bros., they taking charge of same on 14th day of February, 1924. We will not be responsible for any debts or contracts entered into after above date.
Bon Ton Bakery. 15-10

INCOME TAX IN NUTSHELL

WHO?—Single persons who had net income of $1,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more, and married couples who had net income of $1,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more, and married couples who had net in come of $2,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more must file returns.

WHEN?—The filing period is from January 1 to March 15, 1924.

WHERE?—Collector of internal revenue for the district in which the person lives or has his principal place of business.

HOW?—Instructions on Form 1040-A and Form 1040; also the law and regulations.

WHAT?—Four per cent normal tax on the first $4,000 of net income in excess of the personal exemption and credits for dependents. Eight per cent normal tax on balance of net income. Surtax from 1 per cent to 50 per cent on net incomes over $6.000 for the year 1923.

ALEXANDER TO PILOT MARLIN

MARLIN, Texas, Feb. 15.—Walter Alexander, pilot of the Bathers in the 1922 Texas association race, has been signed as manager for the 1924 season at a conference with President B. C. Bratten and E. A. Flowers, secretary-treasurer of the Marlin baseball club, here.

The return of Alex insures another clean-cut club and a baseball team that will be a credit to the city.

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37 Dallas Ft. Worth ..... 5:14 a. m.
17 Dallas Ft. Worth ..... 4:35 a. m.
19 Dallas Ft. Worth ..... 3:55 a. m.

South bound—
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32 From Dallas .....10:08 a. m.
38 Austin San nAtonio ....12:21 a. m.
18 Houston San Antonio .. 1:37 a. m.
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NOTICE TO ALL STOCKHOLDERS OF HUMPHREYS OIL COMPANY

Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the Board of Directors of Humphreys Oil Company, duly and legally called and held in the city of New York on Thursday, February 7th, 1924, of the time and place of which meeting and object and purpose thereof, each member of the Board received more than three (3) days' notice, and at which meeting a majority of the whole Board were present, a resolution was unanimously adopted that in the judgment and opinion of the Board of Directors it was deemed advisable and for the best interests of the corporation and its stockholders, that said Humphreys Oil Company should be dissolved and its franchises surrendered, and further, a special meeting of the stockholders is called to meet at the office of the company at Mexia, Texas, between the hours of ten o'clock in the forenoon and three o'clock in the afternoon, to wit: at eleven o'clock A. M. on Saturday, March 1st, 1924, for the purpose of considering and taking action upon said proposed dissolution. The Secretary of the corporation was authorized and directed to mail within ten (10) days after the date of said directors' meeting, notice to each stockholder of the adoption of such resolution, which has accordingly been done.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
(Signed) COL. H. MAUD,
Secretary of Humphreys Oil Co.
Feb. 8-15-22

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

STATE OF TEXAS,
City of Mexia,
County of Limestone.

On this the 11th day of February, 1924, the City Commission of the City of Mexia, Texas, convened pursuant to adjournment in the City Hall, E. Watson, Mayor, W. C. Wilson, Commissioner, and J. R. Forrest, Commissioner, being present, and among other business transacted, the following ordinance was passed:

AN ORDINANCE

An ordinance ordering a special election in the City of Mexia, Texas, on the 18th day of March, 1924, for the submission of the question, "SHALL A COMMISSION BE CHOSEN TO FRAME A CHARTER. AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING FROM THE CITY OF MEXIA AT LARGE A CHARTER COMMISSION OF NOT LESS THAN 15 MEMBERS AND DESIGNATING THE PLACE AT WHICH SAID ELECTION IS TO BE HELD AND APPOINTING PRESIDING OFFICERS THEREOF AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY."

WHEREAS, the City of Mexia, Texas, has more than 5,000 actual bona fide inhabitants, and whereas, since its incoropration the City has been operating under the General Statutes of Texas, and without a Charter, and whereas, it will be to the best interest and general welfare of said City to adopt a Charter, and thereby confer upon said city the full powers of local self government, as contemplated and authorized by Article 11, Section 5, Constitution of Texas as amended in 1912, and all laws pursuant thereto, and

WHEREAS, on the 5th day of February, 1924, the following request was made to the City Commission of the City of Mexia, Texas, for action:

"We, the undersigned resident citizens of the City of Mexia, Texas, hereby respectfully request the Honorable Mayor and Commissioners to submit to the voters of said city the question whether a commission shall be chosen to frame a charter for said city, said question to be submitted at the first opportune time." signed by W. J. Keeling and 97 others, and

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Mexia, Texas, by a unanimous vote of its members deems it advisable to order an election for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of said city the question "SHALL A COMMISSION BE CHOSEN TO FRAME A CHARTER"; and for the purpose of electing 15 members from the City at large to compose such Charter Commission, and

WHEREAS, the next regular municipal election in and for the City of Mexia, cannot and will not be held until the 9th day of April, 1925 which will be more than 90 days after this ordinance shall have been passed, and it being, therefore, impracticable and impossible to hold the election herein provided for at the next regular municipal election,

THEREFORE, be it ordained by the City Commission of the City of Mexia, Texas:

Section 1. That a special election be held Tuesday the 18th day of March 1924, in the City of Mexia, Tex., for the purpose of submitting the following question, to-wit: "SHALL A COMMISSION BE CHOSEN TO FRAME A CHARTER".

Section 2. That at said election also, there shall be elected from amongst the qualified voters of said city at large 15 Commissioners, whose duty it shall be to frame, report and submit such Charter, in case of a majority of the qualified voters at said election shall vote in favor of the proposition, to choose a Commission to frame such Charter.

Section 3. That the following shall be the form of the ballot to be used in determining the questions provided for in the sections 1 and 2 hereof, at said election, to-wit:

"FOR THE CHOOSING OF A COMMISSION TO FRAME A CHARTER FOR THE CITY OF MEXIA, TEXAS".

"AGAINST THE CHOOSING OF A COMMISSION TO FRAME A CHARTER FOR THE CITY OF MEXIA, TEXAS."

Provided that if any person or persons shall desire to become a candidate or to nominate any person or persons for candidates for members of the said Commission they shall file such names with the City Secretary of the City of Mexia, Texas, not later than the 14th day of March 1924 at 5 o'clock; and the names so filed shall be printed on said ballot in the appropriate blanks, following the provision for an affirmative vote. And in such case, it shall be proper and sufficient for the voter, voting for said Commission to strike out the names of persons for whom he does not desire to vote, and, it shall be proper also for such voter to add to the list of names which may be on the said ballot the names of other persons for whom he desires to vote, and, in case no name shall be printed on said ballot, as herein proviede for, the voter shall write thereon the names of those for whom he desires to vote for as members of such Commission. Provided further, that the failure of any voter to vote for as many as 15 separate persons for members of such Commission shall not invalidate his ballot.

Section 4. That the polling place for holding said election shall be the City Hall in the City of Mexia, Texas, and H. L. Hall shall be the presiding officer to hold said election.

Section 5. That said election shall be held under the provision of Chapter 147, Acts of the Legislature of the State of Texas of 1913, Regular Session; and all persons qualified to vote in said City, under the laws of this State, regulating general elections, shall be allowed to vote.

Section 6. That the manner of holding the said election shall be governed by the General Laws of the State of Texas, regulating General Elections, when not in coflict with the provisions of the law hereinabove referred to.

Section 7. That notice of said election shall be given by publishing this ordinance under the style: "NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION," in the Official Newspaper of said city, published in said city, for thirty (30) full days prior to the date of said election, and shall serve as legal notice of same.

Section 8. The fact that the City of Mexia, Texas, is at the present time without a Charter, and that the public interest requires a Charter, creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity for the suspension of the rules requiring ordinances to be read upon more than one day, and for the immediate taking effect of this ordinance and such rules are hereby suspended, and it is ordained that this ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval.

Passed and approved this the 11th day of February, 1924.
E. WATSON, Mayor.

Attest:
R. D. Morgan, City Secretary.
(Feb. 12 to March 17 incl)

CANDIDATES
Announcements
1924 ELECTIONS

LIMESTONE COUNTY

The following candidates for the offices named submit their names subject to the action of the Democratic primary election to be held in Limestone county on the 26th day of July, 1924:

For Governor—
FELIX G. ROBERTSON.
For District Judge, 77th Judicial Dis.
C. H. MACHEN
For Judge 87th Judicial District—
J. ROSS BELL
(Re-Election 2nd Term)
J. E. WOODS.
For District Clerk—
ELLIS DICKERSON.
M. A. AINSWORTH.
For Representative Limestone County
W. P. ALEXANDER.
For County Judge—
H. F. KIRBY (Re-election sought)
JOHNSON WAKEFIELD
B. W. MILES.
For County Clerk—
J. L. DAY, (re-election.)
For County Tax Assessor—
TOM M. CAIN
R. W. (BOB) STEEN
A. A. HYDEN.
J. L. HIGGINBOTHAM
For Tax Collector—
W. A. ROBBINS, (re-election.)
For County Treasurer—
H. C. FITZGERALD.
For Sheriff—
WHIT POPEJOY (re-election.)
For Commissioner Precinct No. 4—
JOHN M. KENNEDY, (re-election)
For County Treasurer—
MRS. LULA OATES, (re-election.)
County Attorney—
SCOTT REED (re-election, second term.)

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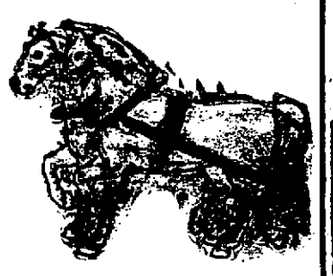

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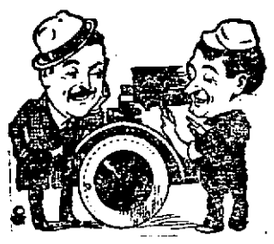

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Red Cross Worker in Alaska "Medicine Man" to Natives

Above—Alaskan Indian mothers bring babies for inspection by the Red Cross Nurses.

Right—Miss Ebba Djupe, Red Cross Field Representative in Alaska, wearing the native costume made of Siberian reindeer skin.

FROM Ketchikan in the southeast to Nome in the northwest defines the long and hazardous trail of Miss Ebba Djupe, American Red Cross field representative in Alaska. It is a stretch of 1,400 miles as the crow flies. By boat and dog sled she gravitates out across the mountains with their Indians to the Arctic Circle with its Eskimos and midnight sun.

This Red Cross nurse halts at nothing in her task of organizing the work and services of the eleven Chapters of the American Red Cross that thrive in "Seward's Ice Box," as the Alaskan Peninsula was cynically designated at the time the United States purchased from Russia this land of limitless resources. The Indians and Eskimos, and all the others pioneering in this vast territory, Miss Djupe declares, are "the most lovable people." Duty requiring a steamboat trip up the Yukon river from Nome, and the culinary equipment of the vessel threatening to starve her, Miss Djupe signed as ship's cook, and reports that "the loveliest part of this new occupation is that I will save almost $100 of steamboat fare for the Red Cross."

Arriving at an Indian village from which calls for assistance for the sick adults and children had been sent out, she found nothing but the school building habitable and the place where the sick were congregated in a deplorable condition. There was only one small room to accommodate the sufferers and the Indian women immediately surrounded the cabin, curious to see the stranger come to act the "medicine man."

The needs of health service among the Indians and Eskimos in remote Alaska are very urgent and the death rate among the infants appalling, but through the Red Cross field service in the territory the worst conditions are being attacked with vigor and with encouraging results.

The spirit of this Red Cross service in this difficult field is best conveyed by Miss Djupe, who writes: "Some days I have come back to my room feeling just heartsick, and then I have said: 'This is the reason I am here.' When I came to a spot they call a village I almost gave way to dejection; but then, that is the reason why I am here, else the American Red Cross certainly never would have given me the chance to be chief steward on a steamboat with four Eskimos to take my orders."

CITIZENSHIP
-Thought for the Day

By A. Garland Adair

A DOUBLE HERITAGE

In his speech before the House of Representatives, March 2, 1920, "On the Anniversary of Texas Independence, Congressman Fritz G. Lanham, spoke as follows:

"On March 1, 1837, the United States recognized Texas as a free and independent country. There was an unsuccessful attempt at reconsideration next day, which makes March 2nd doubly a memorable date in our history.

France, Holland, Belgium and England subsequently took similar action, and France sent a minister to the new government.

The Federal Government had its president. So did Texas. It had it Congress. So did Texas. It has its flag, as Governor Winthrop once said 'A star for every state and a state for every star' Texas had its flag. Other states had their emblems and banners, it is true, but Texas had its flag, bathed in and bought by the blood of its martyred heroes. In this respect, also, it is a Lone Star State.

May I not say therefore, inasmuch as the early history of Texas is the history of th ebrave settlers who came there from the various states, that paradoxical as it may seem, the Texan, with a sincere and undivided allegiance, has a double heritage. Two countries are his; two flags are his; two glorious histories are his. He may add to the glamor of Lexington and Concord the glory of the Alamo and San Jacinto. He realized with pride that the fires of patriotism borned in Washington, in Patrick Henry, in Israel Putnam, in Anthony Wayne and many others who labored with them, but he knows that the cause of freedom had worthy advocates in Austin, in Bowie, in Travis, in Lamar, in Crockett, in Houston and the scores o fothers who have made glorious the pages of Texas history. In this spirit, we may all be Texans on this anniversary, and in our high regard for and devotion to the cause and principles of freedom, I feel sure that in the language of the slogan of the Texans in their struggle for Independence, we are all "One and Indivisible."

T. E. L. CLASS TO HAVE TRAMP CLASS WITH THEM SUNDAY AT BAPTIST CHURCH

The T. E. L. Class of the First Baptist church has invited the Tramp Class to visit with them in the class room Sunday morning at 9:45 promptly.

Every member of both classes is urged to be present and to bring someboy with him

A very interesting lesson and music have been arranged.

Mrs. S. E. Ingram left Wednesday for a visit with her son, Robert Ingram and family at Brownwood. She spent the past two months visiting her daughter, Mrs. Garland Adair. She was accompanied as far as Dallas by another son, Walter Ingram, who has been on a visit here for the past week. Mrs. Ingram's home is at Avery, Texas.

Fred Karner was in Kansas City Thursday, according to a message read before the Rotary club, in which he stated that he was attending Rotary there that day.

WHY FINANCE FAVORS INCREASED FARM EXPERIMENT FACILITIES

American Bankers Association Indorses Purnell Bill Because It Believes What Is Good for Farming Is Good for the Country—Obsolete Farm Methods Doomed.

By D. H. OTIS, Agricultural Director, American Bankers Association

If the agricultural colleges and experiment stations are to function effectively and give up-to-date, reliable information and aid in respect to farm problems, they must have sufficient funds to carry on adequate research and experimental work so as to discover practical ways to improve agriculture. The present Federal appropriation of only $30,000 a year to each of the experiment stations is deplorably inadequate to meet the pressing needs that are constantly coming before them.

D. H. Otis

The Purnell bill, which has been before Congress and will again be urged during the present session, provides for an increase of $15,000 in the national appropriation for each agricultural experiment station. It also provides for gradually increased appropriations until the total amount equals $85,000 annually for each institution. The American Bankers Association, through its Administrative Committee, has placed itself squarely on record as being in favor of this measure because it believes that what is thus fundamentally good for farming is good for the country.

What Farming Requires

Farming requires skill of no mean sort. A farmer is ever facing new conditions and must adjust his activities to cope with them. The problems of the soil, of crop production, livestock breeding and feeding, and business management of the farm call for as high an order of brain power as any industry. The young man of today need not leave the farm for a career. There is abundant opportunity for the exercise of his best faculties in helping to develop a basic industry that affects the welfare of every human being.

In order to farm properly and economically, the farmer must be equipped with a high degree of technical skill. Farming by guesswork belongs to the past. No longer can he gauge his activities by the position and shape of the moon. Success demands the application of the best knowledge and experience available. New problems arise daily. New solutions must be found. Discoveries are being made that affect practical farm methods tremendously. Insect pests and plant diseases are constantly putting in their appearance and must be combated by the most effective methods. Competition makes that imperative.

Old Ways Do Not Pay

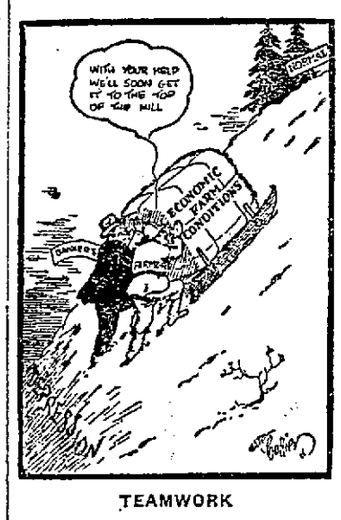
Land prices have been soaring. Following the Civil War, immense areas of fertile land were available almost for the asking. But today the most efficient land is all taken up, and the expansion of our agricultural production must come from either increased yields per acre or from farming the less efficient land. The higher the price of land the greater the overhead. What was profitable on cheap lands may be very unprofitable on high-priced land. To meet these changing conditions requires new stores of knowledge and new methods of applying knowledge.

Today many old methods of farming are inadequate and unprofitable. Time was when it may have been cheaper to let a horse or cow die rather than to go to the expense of calling a veterinarian. Today we must discover new methods of treating disease and saving our cows. We must also discover ways and means to prevent disease, to improve our feeding methods, and to avoid waste. We are living in an age of specialization, which means that we must produce more per unit.

ALL OF THIS REQUIRES KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE. THE TAX OF IGNORANCE IS THE LARGEST TAX THAT WE PAY, AND UNFORTUNATELY WE GET NOTHING IN RETURN FOR WHAT WE PAY IN THIS WAY.

The Experiment Stations

The agricultural experiment stations have done a great work not only for the farmer but for the community and the country as a whole. They have developed improved methods of breeding and feeding and of selection. They have saved farmers of the country millions of dollars by discovering the best methods of applying fertilizers, by determining conditions under which new and valuable crops can be successfully grown, by studying crop rotation and the utilization of by-products, and by developing mechanical devices that save labor and increase efficiency.



TEAMWORK

Much as the experiment stations have done, research work is still in its infancy. There are still greater problems awaiting solution. We must delve deeper, we must push further into the unknown, we must devise systems of farming that are more profitable than the ones we are now using. The experiment stations must have increasing financial support to achieve these ends.

EVERY BUSINESS MAN'S GREATEST OBLIGATION

By WALTER W. HEAD
President American Bankers Association

We speak reverentially of "Our Country." What do we mean? Are we thinking of the service which we owe to our country, of the love which we bear for it, or are we thinking only of the protection which our country can afford us, only of the benefit which we may derive from it? Are we thinking of what we may do for our country, or of what our country may do for us?

Walter W. Head

Our duty to ourselves and our country requires positive as well as negative action. We must be constructive. As citizens of our country, do we fulfill the obligations incumbent upon us? Do we exercise our right to vote—and when we do, do we always place intelligence, efficiency and patriotism in government ahead of every other consideration?

The message which I wish to emphasize is a simple truth, one easily understood, but one of great importance, perhaps more important today than ever before: We—I, as an individual—must be responsible for our government—my government.

We cannot delegate our responsibility in government to someone else. There is no substitute for individual interest in government and individual responsibility for government.

I have said to bankers that the greatest duty of the banker today is not to loan money, but to loan himself—to the service of his community.

MANY A WAY TO OBTAIN CREDIT

The farmer, who is the initial producer of goods, has more agencies designed to assist in his financing than has any other group, partly as a result of the natural growth of our present financial structure and partly because of the special agencies created by the government during recent years. The list of his credit sources is a surprisingly large one, for he may borrow directly from the savings banks, trust companies, and insurance companies; may use the Federal Farm Loan Banks and the Joint Stock Land Banks; may sell his mortgages through local farm loan mortgage brokers, the larger mortgage companies, and certain investment banking houses; if a cattle raiser, he can discount his paper with cattle loan companies; his marketing is often done through a state or national co-operative marketing association; he has access to the regular commercial banks for short time funds; and, of course, participates as any other consumer in the usual retail store credit. Moreover, the Federal Reserve Act has provided broad accommodation for agriculture in its text as originally adopted and in the several amendments since made, and the Agricultural Credits Act authorizes the establishment of the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank as a further aid. When one hears the statement made that in our economic system the farmer alone is not provided for, the answer is merely, "It isn't so." Many people are coming to believe, and this includes some of the agricultural bloc in Congress, that the farmer's trouble is not due to his lack of credit but to having had credits granted too easily and in too large amounts.—*Journal of the American Bankers Association.*

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Bread Probe Is Next Expected

By WILLIAM J. Lloyd
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—[illegible] charged [illegible] is spending $1,000,000 [illegible] annually [illegible] by Senate Progressives [illegible].

The charge was made in a report to the Senate Interstate Commerce committee by Chairman Couzens, [illegible] Senate Progressives.

Thwarted by the Republican Progressive coalition in their attempt to start a probe of the high selling prices of bread, [illegible] of which to the sale of leaves over the counter.

Two courses of investigation are open:

1. Senate investigation by either agricultural committee of which Senator Norris, Nebraska, is chairman, or by the manufactures committee of which Senator LaFollette is the head.

2. An investigation by the Federal Trade Commission under the authority of the Federal Trade and the Clayton acts.

The Progressives today will decide which course promises speedier and more searching revelation of the truth about bread. Their decision will be embodied in a resolution to be introduced later today, probably by LaFollette.

Publicity is the argument in favor of a Senate inquiry.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

Farmers State Bank of Mexia, Texas, vs. W. H. Harper. No. 794.
In the Justice Court, Precinct No. 4, Limestone County, Texas.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Limestone County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded, as before, that you summon W. H. Harper, by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published, to appear at the next regular term of the Justice Court, Precinct No. 4, Limestone County, Texas, to be holden at my office in the City of Mexia, Texas, on the second Tuesday in March, 1924, same being the 11th day of March, 1924, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 21st day of November, 1923, in a suit numbered 794 on the docket of said court, wherein the Farmers State Bank of Mexia, Texas, is plaintiff and W. H. Harper, is defendant, the nature of plaintiff's demand being as follows: That heretofore to-wit, on the 5th day of March, 1923, defendant made, executed and delivered to plaintiff his promissory note [illegible] due and payable to order of plaintiff at Mexia, Texas, on April 1, 1924; that on April 5th, 1923, defendant paid to plaintiff the sum of $150.00 leaving an unpaid balance on said note of $[illegible]. That said note provides for ten per cent interest per annum from maturity till paid and further provides for ten per cent attorney's fees if placed in the hand of an attorney for collection. That plaintiff has placed said note in the hands of an attorney for collection and agreed to pay him the ten per cent provided for in said note. That the balance on said note is past due and unpaid and defendant though often requested has failed and refused and still fails and refuses to pay the same or any part thereof, to plaintiff's damage $172.75, including interest and attorneys fees. Plaintiff prays judgment for its debt, interest and attorneys fees, $172.75 and interest from date of filing suit at rate of ten per cent, and for such other relief as Court may seem proper.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand this the 13th day of Feb., 1924.

Issued the 13th day of Feb., 1924.
O. Kennedy, Justice Peace
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